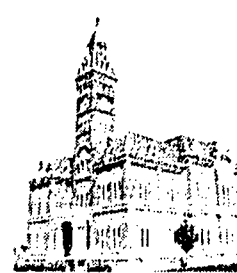




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Trying out trimesters

The Board of Regents made decisions at Tuesday's meeting regarding construction projects and calendar dates that will affect the campus for years to come. Here is a wrapup of some of the Board's decisions.

New University calendar

The University calendar will see dramatic changes because of the implementation of an extended summer schedule. Starting in the fall of 1998, the fall and spring terms will be shortened to 15 weeks, and the break between terms will also be shortened. Starting in the summer of 1999, the extended summer schedule will be in effect. See page 3 for more on this development.

The dates represent the beginning of planning and development to the date grades are due to the Registrar.

Fall 1998:	Fall 1999:
Aug. 19 - Dec. 14	Aug. 18 - Dec. 13
Spring 1998:	Spring 2000:
Jan. 5 - May 3	Jan. 4 - May 1
Summer 1999:	Summer 2000:
May 10 - July 30	May 8 - Aug. 15

Relocations and hall changes

Because of renovations to the Student Union and some residence halls, many campus offices will be relocated while major changes will take place in some residence halls.

Summer 1998
• South Complex will be off-line until August 1999
• Student Union construction begins
• Student Affairs, Campus Activities, Residential Life, I.D., Campus Dining and student organization offices will move to Thompson-Ringold Hall for about two years

August 1998
• Hudson Hall becomes coed by floor to accommodate the closing of South Complex, a coed residence hall
• Perrin Hall will be reopened as an all-female residence hall
• First floor of Douglas Hall will be reopened

Colleen Cooke/Editorial Assistant

University shapes future

Board of Regents passes 1998-'99 trimester calendar after months of consideration

by Jacob DiPietre
University News Editor

After many months of lobbying, conducting surveys and countless pages of research and studies, the University Board of Regents approved a trial trimester calendar at its meeting Tuesday.

The enhanced summer schedule, which will take effect in the summer of 1999, will offer students more options for classes. In the summer of '99, the three four-week sessions will start May 10 and end July 30. Then the full 15-week trimester for the summer of 2000 will start May 8 and end August 15.

However, the enhanced summer schedule, which will be evaluated at the end of each year, was not approved by all Board members. Regent member, Chip Strong who represented the one vote against the trimester calendar, was not sure the University

would serve the students by implementing an enhanced summer schedule.

"My biggest concern is that we don't have enough information to know where we are going with this," Strong said. "Some 10 years ago, the president went out on a limb and recommended lengthening the semesters. I have a problem with going back and shortening the semester."

Strong is not the only one with concerns. Richard Fulton, professor of political science, said he can see how an enhanced summer schedule would help, but he believes the University should proceed with caution.

"I think if it is done wisely, it is a good opportunity, but I am concerned we will build too much out of it too fast," Fulton said. "Such as moving ahead in programs without faculty planning. I'm not sure (the Board) knows what to expect out of this program."

One of the big supporters of an enhanced summer schedule is University President Dean Hubbard. He said there are a lot of misconceptions about a trimester calendar and thinks the enhanced summer schedule will not hurt, even if it does not work.

"I don't think the roof will fall in," Hubbard said. "I think life will go on, students will learn; teachers will teach; this institution will continue to develop — that's my view. I don't think it will be dramatic one way or the other."

While Hubbard thinks there will not be a big impact on campus, some students still don't know what an enhanced summer schedule is.

Annelle Weymuth, executive assistant to the president, handed out a survey to all students during fall verification. Of the 2,373 returned surveys, 74 percent of upperclassmen said they either had no opinion or didn't want an enhanced summer schedule.

This is another reason Strong was unsure about proceeding with trimesters.

"Twenty percent of our students graduate in four years," Strong said. "So the marketplace has dictated that most students don't want to get out quicker."

Strong believes there are some good points regarding summer schedule. However, he said it all depends on how the University advertises the new calendar.

Renovations pass, set to start next fall

by Stephanie Zellstra
Assistant News Editor

After the applause was over, a collective sigh of relief could be heard from the people who put in long hours and hard work on their project — the student's project.

The Board of Regents passed the proposed Student Union/residence halls renovation plan at its meeting Tuesday. The goal of the renovations is to make the Student Union appeal to students in a more relaxed atmosphere.

"I absolutely love the plans," said Jeff Lukens, student representative and Residence Hall Association president. "What they're trying to do will make it more of a Student Union, not just a cafeteria where you go to eat."

Many interested parties were present as the fate of the Union and residence halls was decided unanimously.

"The next part will be to draw up more detailed construction documents so that everyone will be able to see them," said Becky Mullins of Gould Evans Goodman Associates, the architectural firm in charge of the project.

During the hall renovations, relocations and alternative accommodations are also being planned. South Complex will be unable to be used from May 1998 to August 1999. Because of this, Hudson Hall will become coed by floor in August 1998.

Perrin Hall will also open in August 1998 as an all-female hall. The first floor of Douglas Hall will reopen in August 1998.

The Union has been given the most consideration in how to handle the relocation of several campus dining services.

Campus dining renovation plans will be conducted in two phases. The first phase will include construction to the south side of the building. During this time, the Spanish Den and "Cats Commons will not be accessible. Instead, the meeting rooms in the upper levels will be turned into dining space.

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■ Jeff Lukens,
Residence Hall
Association president

Because there will be a need for space, dining areas will also be offered in other areas on campus. Some of preliminary plans include having an eating area in 103 Garrett-Strong where hot food would be served. There is currently a bakery and extra storage space in the basement of the Conference Center. They plan to offer Italian food, including Itza Pizza. The Administration Building will also supply dining space. The former mail room is going to offer cold food such as sandwiches and salads.

"It won't be the most convenient, obviously," Courter said. "But once we get the design board up and on display for people to see, I think that kind of enthusiasm will grow."

All these relocations come at a price — an estimated \$25 million, which students will have to pay. Tuition is projected to increase steadily over the next four years because of the cost of renovations. Currently in-state students pay \$84.50 per credit hour. Next year's cost will go up to \$90.75. Out-of-state students pay \$147.75 per credit hour and will pay \$157.75 next fall.

NO LOOKIN' BACK NOW



Senior B-back Kraig Evans leaves the field of play during Saturday's 44-38 win over Emporia State. Evans racked up 359 rushing yards during the regular season and hopes to be a part of the Bearcats' offensive juggernaut throughout the playoffs. The first round of the NCAA Division II playoffs begin at noon Saturday when the 'Cats play host to the Bison of North Dakota State.

Jennifer Meyer/
Photography Director

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Bearcat football.

Missouri recognizes local educator

Teacher receives honor for contributions to journalism program

by Nicole Fuller
Assignment Director

She was a pioneer for developing scholastic journalism throughout Missouri and established guidelines for journalism teachers throughout the state. It has been her dedication to teaching and journalism that has taken her to the top.

Opal Eckert was one of seven people inducted into the first Missouri Interscholastic Press Association Hall of Fame last Saturday at the Journalism Education Association convention in St. Louis.

Bill Hankins, Oak Park High School journalism adviser nominated Eckert for the honor.

"It is a way of recognizing her for early contributions to the Missouri school of journalism," Hankins said. "She is amazingly vital and a role

model in not only journalism but in education."

Hankins said Eckert is an outstanding woman who at the age of 92 is still active in the community. She plays an important role in Maryville.

Eckert was awarded the William Taft Award in 1997. She won the national journalism teacher of the year in 1963. She is one of the first leaders in Missouri Scholastic Journalism and also one of the first national teachers of the year.

Eckert still encourages students to take as many journalism classes as they can. She said she was "wished" into journalism and has not stopped loving it since.

"A group of students asked me to sign a petition so they could get a journalism course," Eckert said. "And not thinking I would be teaching it, I signed to support. Then in the summer, I found out that I was teaching the class. I never thought I would get so interested."



Erica Smith/Advertising Director

Bill Hankins presents Opal Eckert with the Hall of Fame Induction Award last Saturday at the JEA convention in St. Louis.

Speaker enlightens audience

Banquet pays tribute to field of farming

by Nicole Fuller
Assignment Director

When the estimated 300 people left the 37th Annual Nodaway County Farm-City Banquet Monday they were certified O.P.O. — Official Post Observers — fence posts, that is.

Joe Jeffrey, the evening speaker and fence post connoisseur, talked about the different types of fence posts he has encountered.

He is known as the "Post Toaster," and Jeffrey travels around the country giving presentations about the history of those apparently mundane "things" that hold up "bobwire," — fence posts. He also gives presentations on outhouses and food.

Jeffrey said he has been in 24 states and Canada three times and performs about 100 shows a year.

"I started this in about 1970-71," Jeffrey said. "It slowly developed into what it is today. I do this strictly for entertainment."

Duane Jewell, chairman of the chamber agriculture committee, saw Jeffreys perform before, said Judy Brohammer, Maryville Chamber of Commerce director.

"He has a speaking circuit, and Dr. Jewell has seen him perform so we invited him to be our guest speaker for this year's banquet," Brohammer said.

While Jeffrey provided entertainment for the evening, the main purpose of the banquet was to honor people in



Nicole Fuller/Assignment Director

Judy Brohammer presents the Farm Family of the Year Award to the Raymond Wilmes family at the 37th Annual Farm-City Banquet Monday night.

the field of farming.

The banquet, sponsored by the Maryville Chamber of Commerce, recognizes individuals in the farming community by distributing several different awards.

The farm family of the year was awarded to the Raymond Wilmes family for their outstanding excellence and strong contributions through farming, conservation

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Our View

OF THE UNIVERSITY

Be Santa Claus for children with Angel Tree program

To hear Bryan Vanosdale, director of campus activities, talk about the Angel Tree project is to understand the true meaning of Christmas.

When Vanosdale was at Tennessee Tech University before coming to Northwest, his campus took part in a program that encouraged faculty and students to buy Christmas gifts for needy children in that area.

With the help of local agencies, students could pick up a form — printed in the shape of an angel — that told what the children wanted for Christmas.

Unlike most children's Christmas lists, these lists often included requests for socks and underwear, or even a simple coloring book.

With a hint of tears in his eyes, Vanosdale told a story of when he delivered a bunch of these gifts to a group of children in Tennessee. A 6-year-old girl came up and tugged him on the pant leg and said, "Mister, are you Santa Claus?"

Vanosdale stood silently for a moment before responding, "No, hohey, I'm not Santa Claus." He then handed the bag to one of the people helping distribute gifts and quickly walked outside. He stood by a pickup truck and sobbed.

Now at Northwest, Vanosdale, along with Julie Norlen, vice president of Panhellenic Council, and Evan Polly, vice president of Interfraternity Council, is helping bring that tremen-

dous spirit of giving with the first Angel Tree event.

Starting tonight at 6 p.m. with a tree-lighting ceremony, the event offers the opportunity for students and faculty to make a real difference in the life of one real child.

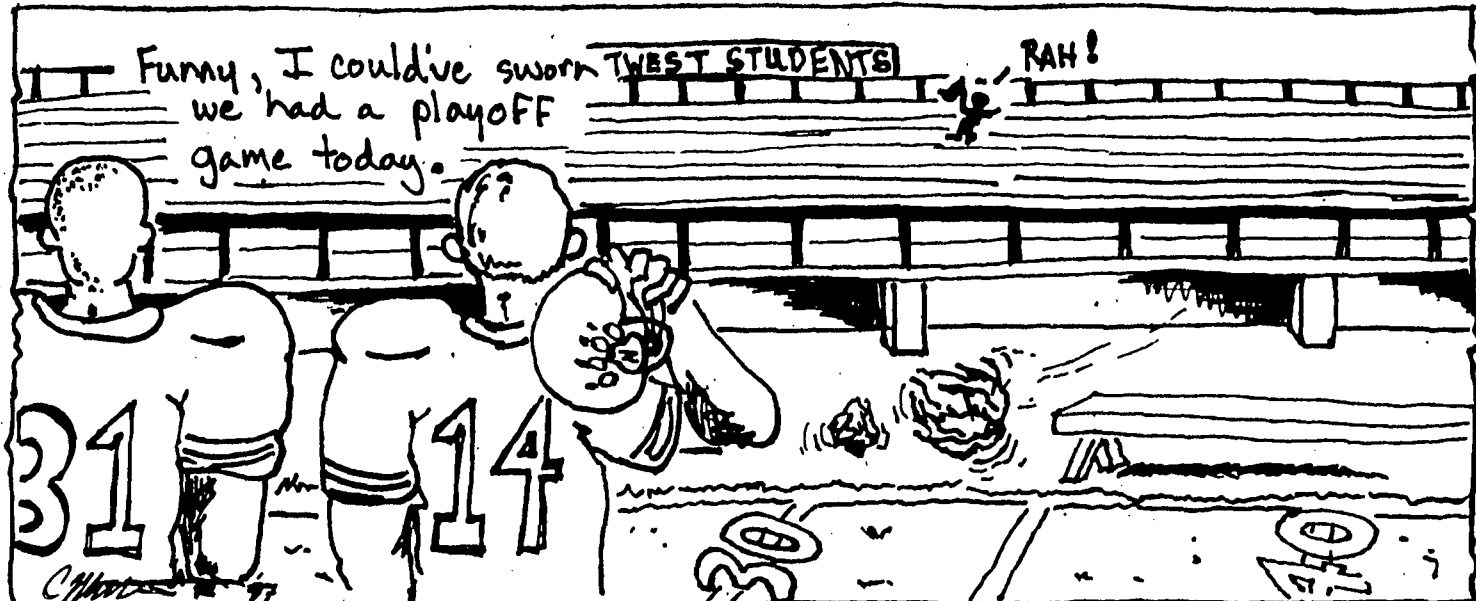
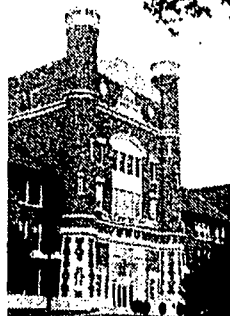
It's a simple enough request: Pick up an angel (or more if you can) and fulfill a child's wish for Christmas gifts. You can pick up angels tonight until Dec. 5. The gifts must be turned in by Dec. 12.

Along with Panhellenic Council and IFC, the Community Service Agency of Nodaway County is working with the Angel Tree program to provide the names of children who could use assistance.

All too often Christmas turns into a "me" holiday for most people. We make our wish lists filled with dreams of high-priced items and things we don't need.

What we truly need during this season is to explore the benefits of giving, and the Angel Tree is a perfect opportunity to do that. It won't cost that much, but the inner rewards you will reap will keep you warm throughout the year.

Vanosdale might have been wrong that day when he told the little girl that he wasn't Santa Claus — everyone who brings joy to children at Christmas qualifies for that title. It's now up to Northwest to play Santa Claus for Nodaway County children.



University View

Board realizes heart of Northwest



■ Marisa Sanchez

Serving as Regent proves to be positive experience

It all started on Valentine's Day, 1996 in Jefferson City. My two-year gubernatorial appointment to the Northwest Board of Regents, approved by Gov. Mel Carnahan, will be ending Jan. 1, 1998. I offer this article as an acknowledgment to how this experience has greatly enhanced my life.

My chief responsibility as a servant to the Board of Regents is to synthesize the opinion of the 5,000 plus Northwest students and provide an accurate account of what is in the best interest of students.

Short of calling every student personally, the task can be overwhelming. Instead, I have opted to attend Student Senate meetings, Strategic Planning and several "special" committee meetings. In addition to informing and addressing student concerns as faculty and staff have received, I have had many positive words of encourage-

ment and support by the Regents themselves.

I am not sure exactly how other Boards in the state operate, but I'm 100 percent assured that not a single one approaches the "team" effort and "family-type" atmosphere that the Northwest Board of Regents has shown me. For that reason, I regret that my term will soon end.

In March 1996, just one brief month after the hearing, the first issue facing the Board was formally brought to my attention — EC+ (Electronic Campus Plus).

Reflecting on that experience, I can not identify a single member of the Board who did not, at some point or another, ask my personal opinion in regard to the issue. Overwhelming and somewhat intimidating? Yes. But, those feelings were soon put to rest by the reassurance of the same Board members who quite openly

displayed their high regard for what the students feel about the issues.

Several other issues of more immediate concern to Northwest students were presented formally to the Board Tuesday. Again, I was there in the thick of the discussions, and again, the other members displayed their concern for students.

While to the majority of Northwest students, faculty and staff, the Board seems to be a distant governing body, this Board could not be closer in touch with the heart of what is Northwest.

Personally, the members of the Board have been nothing but amicable and sincere since my very first day "on the job," and I am assured that our relationship will continue past my final date of service to this admired Board.

Marisa Sanchez is the student Regent for the Board of Regents.

My Turn

Bearcats continue to strive for national championship



■ Colin McDonough

The shootout is set for high noon Saturday. The Bearcats and the North Dakota State University Bison will go at it in the NCAA Division II playoffs.

I can't believe I just said those words.

If I had said those words four years ago, I would have been laughed at by every person on this campus.

Covering the Bearcats was my first assignment for the *Missourian*, and I was definitely nervous.

I was just really excited to actually be writing about a collegiate football team. Little did I know, but the Bearcats were one of Division II's worst football teams in 1994.

When the Bearcats opened their season with a 49-7 loss to Mankato State University — it finally hit me.

I came to the realization that maybe they were the "Bad News Bearcats."

But I couldn't judge a team by one game. The next week the squad traveled to East Texas State and were steamrolled again.

This continued throughout the '94 campaign and into the '95 season as well. The Bearcats never had a chance to notch a 'W.'

The losing streak rolled into my

sophomore year before it came to a surprising halt at the hands of the Southwest Baptist Bearcats.

Head coach, Mel Tjeerdsma and his coaching staff were building a machine to be reckoned with, but who could tell after only one win?

Ever since that win, the Bearcats have compiled a superlative record of 28-8, including two MIAA championships.

After four years and a complete overhaul of attitudes, this squad will try and conquer its next goal of reaching and claiming the national championship.

I have never doubted the Bearcats in all my years at Northwest.

There is no doubt in my mind that before leaving this University, Tjeerdsma will lead the team to a national championship trophy.

The crowd and school spirit has increased over the years. Whenever I said anything in the press box in the lean years, the coaches on the other side of the field could hear me.

With this newfound success, the crowds have grown in size and decibels. Now when I come to the stadium, I almost get lost in the shuffle.

It begs me to ask the question.

Who let them Bearcats in the house? Who? Who?

I don't know whether it was Tjeerdsma, his staff or his personnel that let them in, but whatever they've done, it has been tremendous.

Colin McDonough is the managing editor for the Northwest Missourian.

My Turn

Hallways don't dissuade desire to teach



■ Colleen Cooke

Encounter with high school students awakens memories of crowds and insecurity, but strengthens vocational calling

I don't miss high school. Not one little bit. The older I get, the more sure I am of this.

The sardine hallways, the inane giggling, the helpless insecurity, the herd mentality, the unavoidable ignorance — good riddance.

And yet, I want to teach high school more than anything else.

Can anyone say contradictory?

This weekend, I attended a national convention of high school journalists. I came face to face with something I spent more than four years away from, and I came away more confident than ever that teaching is my calling.

To prepare myself for teaching high school, I wanted to attend some sessions at this conference, which about 3,900 high school students attended.

Going to a session was simple enough: Arrive before the start time and find a seat. I just didn't anticipate the roadblocks ahead.

Apparently, every student wanted to attend the 10 a.m. Friday session on yearbook design, and I had to wade my way through them.

The escalator deposited me into a sea of similarly dressed people joined in strange conglomerations.

Some formed snake-like lines so they would not lose each other in the chaos. Others joined at the

hips and backpacks and barreled over the crowd. More infuriating ones simply floated aimlessly and stopped in my path to announce "I don't know where I'm going."

Somehow, I needed to maneuver my way through this. These aren't exactly the skills I learned in my methods classes. I get the feeling they should have been.

These kids, however, adapted to high school hallways that seem to be universally congested. They show no mercy for fools who dare step an uncertain foot into their building between classes.

It took 10 minutes to move 25 feet past the escalator. I finally made it to the room for the session. From my vantage point, I could already see seats were scarce, but after standing through the last session, I was determined to sit.

With a muffled gasp, I broke free of the pack. I peeked into the room and saw groups sitting on the floor — not a good sign.

Behind me, I heard an ominous rumble move closer. Two hundred people clad in retro 1970s apparel and denim and armed with convention booklets and Eastpaks came streaming forward. If I didn't move, I would become part of the convoluted pattern of the carpet.

I hid behind a door as the chaos

melted away and the sessions started. On my way to the Northwest booth, I clenched my hands and mumbled impolite thoughts. The consensus at the booth was that I ought to reconsider my vocation if one encounter with students unraveled me so.

But I don't think it was the contact with students that unnerved me. It was the feeling that I warped back to high school, when I had to maneuver those hallways and felt insecurity stab at me.

I'm glad to be out of high school, but I still want to teach. I look forward to taking my place at the front of a classroom, looking out at a bunch of young people with excitement — not anxiety.

The conference sparked a fire of new ideas in me. I've hardly been able to concentrate on my assignments since I got back; all I can think about is how I would set up my classroom and the ideas I'd like to pass on to students.

"My object in living is to unite/ My vocation and my avocation/ As my two eyes unite in sight."

- Robert Frost.

I can't wait to teach. I just don't want to walk down those hallways.

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Letter to the Editor

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President recalls event

Dear Friends,

Mrs. Foster joins me in thanking each of you who had any part in making Homecoming 1997 the enor-

mous success it was.

We especially appreciate the accolades afforded us as Grand Marshals of the parade and the wonderful reception that evening.

We are very proud of Northwest and appreciate being included in its

many activities.

Wishing you a happy holiday season.

Robert P. Foster
President Emeritus

It's Your Turn

Does the Greek system encourage irresponsible drinking? Why or why not?



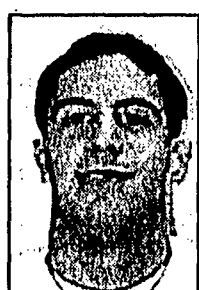
"Yes, because alcohol is readily available."

Gwen Beyer,
child and family studies major



"No, I think they make drinking optional. They don't force it."

Trina Dunn,
finance major



"Yes, because the parties have alcohol, and many college students don't know how to control their drinking yet."

Jon Goldberg,
physical education major



"No, because I am not a Greek, and I still drink irresponsibly."

Joe Staal,
undecided major



"No, because people would still drink just as much even if they weren't Greeks."

B.J. Williams,
pre-law major



"Yes, because people, especially those going through Rush, feel obligated to drink to fit in."

Amanda Muller,
child and family studies major

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Students have concern with some Senate action

by Mark Hornickel
Chief Reporter

With all of the major decisions being made to campus this week, the voice it affects the most are the students.

The voice of the students is represented by Student Senate. Some students believe their opinions have not been heard regarding the major decision-making process. Although, Senate is forming committees to inform the student body.

One example is the Student Senate open forum last week in the Student Union to discuss its view and answer students' questions concerning the Board of Regents meeting about trimesters Tuesday. Several students said Senate could better inform the students with publicized surveys and more forums.

"The student opinion is not represented at all," art major Angela Steuve said. "What, there was something like this one big meeting and that is supposed to be enough? No surveys or anything? — the students' opinions were not represented at all."

Many students said they received the impression at the forum that the Senate was not concerned with their opinions.

"Student Senate has been a scapegoat for people to criticize, and we're not going to let the forum intimidate us or say that it was a bad experience," said Angel Harris-Lewis Student Senate president. "There were not enough students taking it seriously. We thought we were doing a good job. The Spanish Den is jumping and that was our reason for having it there."

Unknown to some students, senate voted in favor of the proposed trimester calendar, the

increase in tuition and the Union and residence halls renovations.

Some students believe the Senate should seek out the students for their opinions, rather than the students seeking out the Senate for answers.

Harris-Lewis said the open forum was to let other students know where the Senate stood on the present issues.

"I know a lot of students felt that it was senators job to go out and try to get the responses," Harris-Lewis said. "But they have to understand there are 10 times as many students as the senators. If there's a student out there that thinks we need to go to the people, I encourage them to call the Student Senate office and tell us."

Student Michelle Ludwig said the Senate will try additional forums, but the students had an opportunity to share their opinions.

"(The students have) had a chance to voice their opinions all along," Ludwig said. "They can talk to their reps and the reps can relate back to Senate. They can call the Senate office; they can find someone to talk to."

Harris-Lewis believes the Senate's job to present the issues of the University to the students is important. She said the Senate is doing their best to inform students of current issues.

"We'll have these meetings whether they are issues or not," Harris-Lewis said. "It's a way that students can come to us and say, 'Hey, I thought of this while I was in the shower today. Here's what you should do.'"

Senate has an additional way to inform students with a committee called the Student Strategic Planning Council.

Administrators do not supervise the meetings, although they may be called on to address certain questions. Harris said almost 90 percent of the students are not members of Senate.

Bearcat Pride



Jennifer Meyer / Photography Director

Mayor Bridget Brown reads the proclamation that declared Friday "Bearcat Pride Day" and Saturday "Bearcat Football Day" in Maryville. Mayor Brown was joined Wednesday by City Council members Dale Mathes, George English and Jerry Riggs. Also attending were Robert Foster, former University President, Rich Alsop and Bud Williams, University cross country coaches, University President Dean Hubbard, Bobby Bearcat, Mel Tjeerdsm, head football coach and Bearcat football captains

Chris Grelsen, Adam Dorrel (standing), Matt Becker and Dante Combs. Mayor Brown encourages everyone to wear their green and white Friday to support the Bearcats' first-round playoff game with North Dakota State University. This is the first time the Bearcats have had a post-season game at Rickenbrode Stadium. The Bison come in with a 9-2 record. Kickoff is scheduled for noon Saturday with a special breakfast at 9 a.m. at the Alumni House.

Fraternity starts house with ground breaking

by Mark Hornickel
Chief Reporter

For the members of the Tau Kappa Epsilon fraternity, their goal of building a new house is coming true.

The fraternity broke ground for its new house last Saturday and plan to begin construction around March 1. Depending on the contractors, the house should be ready early next fall, TKE adviser Russ Northrup said.

"It's a big step for us," TKE president Chris Peasley said. "We've been dreaming about this for a long time, and now our dreams are finally being realized."

The new house, in the 500 block of West Ninth Street, will be all brick and approximately 8,000 square feet. It will be home to 32 men, and the rooms will be in the form of suites — two rooms to one bathroom and two people in a room.

The new house will also feature a full kitchen and eating area, a partial basement, a formal lounge and a chapter room with a fireplace.

The lot is also large enough to accommodate parking and recreational equipment.

"The house will be designed specifically for fraternity living," Peasley said. "It will withstand the pressures of everyday living. It will have a room where we can sit down and hold meetings, and it will be built toward our needs."

The most unique aspect is that it will be the first house built for a fraternity. The current fraternity houses are converted residences, and they are somewhat inadequate for the needs of fraternity living, Northrup said.

Northrup said the location and the nature will set a new precedent for Northwest fraternity houses, and it will help not only the image of TKE but all fraternities.

"The community is tickled to death that we're moving into an industrial area of the community, and it's closer to the University," Northrup said. "Fraternities are in the process of healing themselves after the 70s and 80s. Too often, we hear about hazing and alcohol poisoning. We're working on maintaining the philosophy that fraternities are supposed to create better leaders."

The TKE Board of Trustees has finished preliminary plans and elevation drawings and are working on



Amy Roh / Contributing photographer

TKE president Chris Peasley and vice president Derek Owen take part in the initial formal ground breaking, as the rest of the chapter looked on last Saturday. The fraternity plans to start construction March 1.

giving our construction bids.

The fraternity lost its house to an electrical fire last fall.

However, several pieces of memorabilia were salvaged. They will be displayed in the new house in their own room called the 222 room.

The fire pushed along the plans the fraternity had already started for a new house.

Larry Apple, TKE Board of Trustees member, said a new house was the main goal when the Board reorganized about four years ago.

"The fire was the catalyst for the whole project," Peasley said. "We had been working on this since the 60s and it had kind of been placed on the back burner. After the fire, it put the plan in full motion and spurred it on."

The project was launched in May after the alumni selected a finance committee that includes people from all over the Midwest.

"We want to raise \$200,000, and we think that objective is reasonable," Northrup said.

Faculty share views on trimesters

by Toru Yamauchi
Chief Reporter

The decision by the Board of Regents to approve trimesters produced mixed reactions among faculty, when they found out Tuesday.

Tom Zweifel, Faculty Senate president, said the Board delivered all the points about trimesters well.

However, Zweifel said the Board did not answer the particular issues of the Senate resolution about time on task and compensation.

"The Board of Regents was trying to make a decision one-way or the other," Zweifel said. "There wasn't time to develop specific responses. I think these issues will continue to be addressed (by the Board)."

Zweifel said Faculty Senate will discuss the time on task issue, if the instructors can cover the same ma-

terials in a shorter term. Also, the administrators are willing to solve the compensation issue regarding the faculty's salary in the summer.

"We will be compensated during summer school the way we are now," Zweifel said. "But it doesn't address someone (who) teaches full time (in the summer)."

Even though there are unanswered questions, some faculty are supportive about the calendar.

Accounting instructor Dave Hancock said he was opposed to three equal trimesters which was originally proposed. But he believes the modified trimester is acceptable.

Richard Fulton, political science department chairman, said although he is supportive of the Board's decision, the University needs to implement it carefully.

"I support it cautiously and watch exactly what we will do with this,"

Fulton said. "I think there are a lot of opportunities here, as long as we don't try to fool ourselves into thinking that by offering a lot of courses a lot of people come. We have to be careful not to spend a lot of money with very few students."

The changes in the summer will vary in each department. Lee Hageman, art department chairman, said the summer calendar will not have much effect on his department because only few general education courses will continue to be offered.

On the other hand, Hancock said more classes will be offered in the business department.

"I think it will help enrollment over all," Hancock said. "In the past, students are afraid to enroll in summer session, because they're not sure what classes are going to be offered."

Zweifel said faculty should take advantages of the new calendar.

Encore 'succeeds' in filling Mary Linn

by Burton Taylor
Missourian Staff

The sarcastic humor about the life of a businessman filled Mary Linn Performing Art Center Tuesday night.

The musical "How to Succeed in Business Without Really Trying" ended with a standing ovation from the audience.

This comedy musical was entertaining but was a bit misleading to people who were required to attend.

"I didn't originally want to go, but I had to for a class," biology major Michelle Spindle said. "But, I was really impressed and glad that I went."

Musicals from road companies are common at Northwest. For the last five years, the University has played host to about one or two a year.

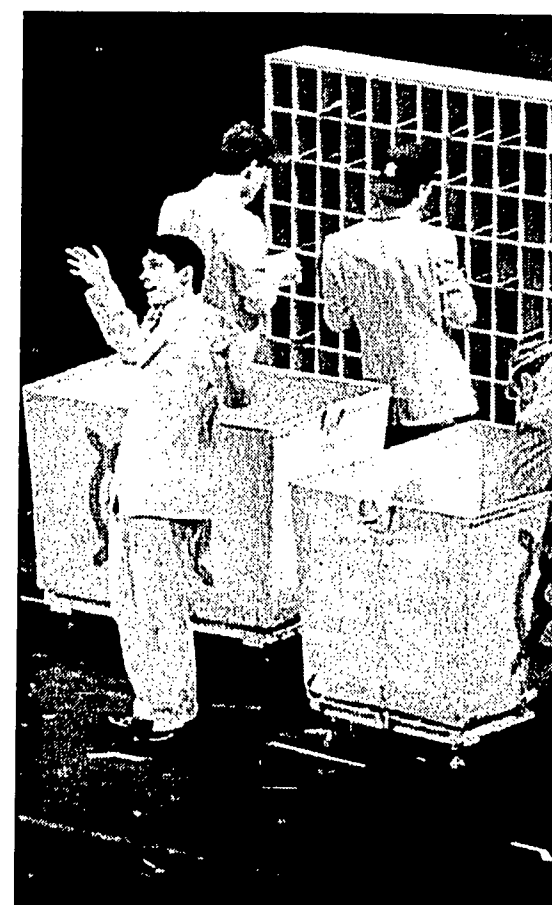
Charles Schultz, professor of theater arts, believes that it is a good idea to bring these shows to campus because it allows community members and students to Mary Linn.

"The more good shows we have at Mary Linn, the more people will get into the habit of coming to all kinds of shows, including those that we do, and the ones that bring in the road company," Schultz said. "I was so tickled to see the large crowd that we had, and it is one of my favorite musicals."

The musical was based on the book written by Abe Burrows, Jack Weinstock and Willie Gilbert. The play was performed by an acting crew from New York City.

The musical was set in 1961 and took place at The World Wide Wicket Company in New York City. The story is about J. Pierrepont Finch, played by Jason Reiff, who led the cast as an eager window washer looking for success in the business world. He planned to do this with the help of his book "How to Succeed in Business Without Really Trying."

Following the book's instructions, Finch was able to get a job with the Wicket Company, and he eventually moved up the ladder of success without any help, aside from his little hand book and that of his personal admirer Rosemary Pinkington, played by Crystal Kachulis. Finch ends up snagging the chairman of the boards job out from under his nose.



Jennifer Meyer / Photography Director

J. Pierrepont Finch played by Jason Reiff, sings to capacity crowd Tuesday night during the performance of "How to Succeed in Business Without Really Trying." This is the first of three Encore plays that will be presented at Northwest this year.

In Brief

Angel tree lighting kicks off season

The Interfraternity and Panhellenic councils are sponsoring the first Angel Tree event which will help needy children in Nodaway County. There will be a tree lighting ceremony at 6 p.m. tonight at the Bell Tower; everyone is encouraged to take an angel from the tree. The angel will give information such as if the child is a boy or girl, favorite colors, clothing sizes and if they have any special requests for presents.

FOX show features Hickory Stick game

The Hickory Stick rivalry between Northwest and Truman State will be on the Fox Sports Network. The segment will be on a show called "NCAA Football — The Slant," which will be aired on channel 37 in Maryville.

The show will consist of football rivalries around the NCAA. The Hickory Stick is one of the longest rivalries in college football. It will air from Dec. 2-6. The schedule of the times has not been released.

University declares 'Quality' holiday

In recognition of the total team effort that the Missouri Quality Award represents, Danny Marsh, president of the Board of Regents, and the President's Cabinet have declared Nov. 26 as a "Culture of Quality" holiday. The hope is that during this day before Thanksgiving everyone will reflect on how much the University appreciates all the effort put into the University.

Senate prepares guide for students

Off-campus representatives for the Northwest Student Senate are publishing an off-campus housing guide. The guide will be distributed at spring verification Jan. 16 and 17.

The guide will include information regarding tenant rights and responsibilities, and also a list of landlord names and phone numbers.

The senators are trying to get every landlord in the guide.

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Day urges smokers to quit

by Kevin Schultz
Chief Reporter

In an attempt to promote nonsmoking and to get active smokers to kick the habit, the Great American Smokeout will be observed today across the nation and in Maryville.

Smoking is a leading cause among cancer-related deaths over the past decade. Over 100,000 deaths occur each year as a direct result of smoking.

"This is a wonderful day," said Joyce Bottorff, nursing coordinator at Student Health Services. "Smokeout Day takes people who are aware of smoking and helps them help their friends who may be trying to quit."

The purpose is to encourage smokers to think about why they smoke. It also provides a chance for nonsmokers to help others quit.

"We already have a smoke-free environ-

ment," said Tom Adams, Maryville High School activity director. "We just continue to do what we always have and that is consistent with Smokeout Day. We believe in a healthy, holistic lifestyle."

Local schools along with St. Francis Hospital are participating in a variety of activities to heighten awareness.

"We have planned many activities to mark the day," said Twila Henry, community relations director for St. Francis Hospital. "We will have bags of hard candy for those who smoke. Hopefully this will help ease their tension and calm them down."

Also, the hospital cafeteria will be serving a "cold turkey" meal throughout the

day in honor of those trying to quit smoking for good.

"I fully support anything that anyone can do to stop or not start (smoking) in the first place."

■ Suzanne Schmaljohn,
Eugene Field Elementary
School counselor

The day is also catching the attention of the younger generation at Eugene Field Elementary School.

"This day is wonderful," said Suzanne Schmaljohn, Eugene Field Elementary School counselor. "I see so many negatives from it (smoking). I fully support anything that anyone can do to stop or not start (smoking) in the first place. The fact is that we deal with a lot of teens whose parents have

cancer or other smoking-related problems and these are never good."

Butting out

The Great American Smokeout encourages all smokers to drop the habit. Here are some tips and some fast facts about smoking.

Go figure

- 30 percent of cancer deaths are related to smoking.
- an estimated 146,000 Americans died of lung cancer in 1992
- of the typical 1,000 smokers, fewer than 20 percent succeed in stopping on the first try
- emphysema and chronic bronchitis are 10 times more likely to occur among smokers than among nonsmokers

The American Cancer Society offers these tips for quitting:

1. Pick a Q (Quit) Day and prepare for it by thinking of the health reasons for your actions.
2. Change to a low-tar and nicotine cigarette.
3. Chart your smoking habits for at least two weeks: how many cigarettes; when, where and why you smoke.
4. Write down each night, at least 10 times, one of your reasons for not smoking cigarettes.
5. Eliminate one situation when you smoke cigarettes — morning coffee, after a meal.
6. Get a supply of substitutes: mints, gum, healthful snacks, ginger root, etc.
7. Quit on Q day — try different substitutes as the wish to smoke recurs — enlist a friend in a busy series of events; alert non-smoking friends for support. Don't give up even if you have a lapse.
8. Keep reminding yourself of the risks of smoking.

National Smokeout Day

Sources: The American Cancer Society and the National Cancer Institute
Colleen Cooke/Editorial Assistant



Tim Kay/Chief Photographer

Cast members in Maryville High School's rendition of "Bone Chiller" rehearse the first act of the play Tuesday evening. The 13 students have been practicing for the

past seven weeks. They will preform at 7 p.m. Friday in the high school gymnasium. Admission to the performance is \$3 for adults and \$2 for students.

Students prepare to send 'chills'

by Stephanie Zielstra
Assistant News Editor

Maryville High School students hope to deliver a "chilling" performance Friday night.

A cast of 13 students will present at 7 p.m. the murder mystery comedy "Bone Chiller." This will be the first play of the season at the high school.

Twenty-six students tried out for the three-act play which pleased Karen Sovereign, journalism teacher and play director.

"We have a real good mix with freshmen through seniors acting in the play," Sovereign said. "Things are coming along real well. There is a lot of talent."

The students have been preparing for opening night for about seven weeks.

"The cast has been doing a super job and working really hard," Sovereign said.

Senior Cora Taylor is the student director. Taylor said she is interested in majoring in theater during college and has enjoyed the experience.

"I worked with the cast on lines, directing their acting and giving them stage direction," Taylor said. "I realize, as an actor, what they're going through, so I can help them in that way. The play has been a lot of fun to work with."

The performance centers around Josiah Travers, who requests his family and friends to go over to his house

before he dies.

The group of people, most of whom didn't know each other, were left to figure out his picture-puzzle will or rebus. Whoever figures out the rebus first will receive the money, which leads to comical situations.

The young actors have been helping each other prepare for the drama and memorize lines.

"I have had a lot of help with lines; my mom has even helped me rehearse," said freshman Shane Mullen, who plays Buzzy Burdett. "Tryouts really weren't that bad; I just gave it my all. I really wanted to get involved with acting."

The play will be in the high school gymnasium. Admission is \$3 for adults and \$2 for students.

School Board postpones awarding bid

by Mark Hornickel and JP Farris
Chief Reporters

The Maryville R-II School Board decided the numbers were still too high for the school district's building project last Thursday.

The architects and contractors started the negotiation process, and Mark Chalkey of Leo A. Daly spoke to the Board about changes that have been made in the proposed project.

District Superintendent Gary Bell said many of the changes deal with materials and supplies.

"It's hard to put an exact figure on (the cost of each material)," Bell said. "But the contractors are subcontractors who work with it and have an idea of what type of materials would work."

Bell said the Board is trying not to compromise the integrity of the educational specifications.

"I think with the reductions that we're considering now, we're really doing well at maintaining the educational specifications that we originally laid out," Bell said.

The contractors came to a potential savings of \$875,000. The current cost of the project is about \$9,322 million, which is \$122,000 over what the project should cost, Bell said.

"That puts us somewhat over budget of what we would anticipate, so we need to get it down to manageable figures," Bell said. "The problem is those reductions that some people would like to see, such as air conditioning at the elementary and at the high school. So we still have some work to do."

Depending on the financial condition of the district, Bell said there may be a possibility for additions in the future.

"Everything from the beginning of this project has been aimed at potential expansion," he said. "When you do this, you always want to leave room for things to be added at an economical cost in the future."

"You don't want to build everything in, and I think the architects have done an excellent job of looking at potential expansion. Anything that we could delay now could be

done with a reasonable amount of workmanship at a later date."

Northwest students discussed their experiences tutoring elementary students through the America Reads program at Wednesday's meeting.

Mike Thomson was honored as the Missouri Secondary School Counselor of the Year.

He also presented MMAT scores and told the Board that next year MMAT tests will be optional because the Missouri Advisory Program will be implemented.

The Driver's Education Program was approved for another year, after it was announced that it was successful and 80 of the 83 Maryville High School students passed.

The Board will meet at 6:30 p.m. tonight in the high school cafeteria.

Members will consider a negotiated bid from Leo A. Daly.

Bell said the Board would like to get some more figures and they will look at those details more specifically.

Eight more owners oppose Wabash Trail

Trlo of defendants withdraw from lawsuit

by Toru Yamauchi
Chief Reporter

A lawsuit over land for a proposed site of the Wabash Trace Nature Trail through Maryville heated up recently when three defendants withdrew from the suit, and eight more local landowners joined the plaintiff.

Three defending railroad companies — Norfolk Southern Corp., Norfolk Southern Railway Co., Norfolk and Western Railway Corp. — responded to a summons saying they do not have any interest in the proposed site of the land because they gave it away with quitclaim deed, an unguaranteed property title, to the Missouri Friends of the Wabash Trace Nature Trail, Inc., plaintiffs' attorney Rochelle Ecker said.

While the number of defendants was reduced to two, the Friends of Wabash and Maryville, an additional eight owners joined the preceding petition of Harvey "Bud" Williams, owner of H.D.W. Enterprises, Inc., to the Circuit Court of Nodaway County Division I.

Williams began the lawsuit early last month, saying a portion of the trail actually belongs to him and other adjacent landowners to the trail have the same argument.

"They (the Friends of the Wabash and Maryville) want to take the land from us," plaintiff Ralph Archer said. "And the Missouri Constitution says when the railroad was abandoned (in 1988), the land will go back to people who owned the land before. That's why I'm fighting. If I didn't think I owned it, I wouldn't have been fighting."

The Friends of Wabash responded to the summons by saying it will fight over the land, Ecker said.

Jerry Drake, attorney for the Wabash group, said he cannot comment about the lawsuit.

Although Maryville has not re-

sponded to the summons, the deadline is Nov. 30, said David Baird, Nodaway County prosecuting attorney, who is serving as the attorney for Maryville in the suit.

Baird said although he cannot comment about the lawsuit, he will file the response to the summons to the court by the end of November.

The issue started in 1995 when the Friends of Wabash purchased the old railroad trail through a quitclaim deed from the railroad company. Maryville became involved when it bought the portion of the land from the Friends of Wabash in February.

Ecker said although the lawsuit is just beginning, she is satisfied with it.

"We're pleased with the way things are going," Ecker said. "(But) it will take time."

Williams said this is also the battle for other people living in Maryville.

"The public and students need to know we do live in a democracy," she said. "And they (the Friends of Wabash and Maryville) can't just come in and take your property without good reasons."

Another reason the plaintiffs were fighting against the creation of nature trail is the possibility that it could become a place for negative activities.

"Everybody living with the railroad track, they don't want to have a dump and drug-related incidents," Williams said. "And the Maryville police force doesn't have enough police to enforce security."

Williams said another eight adjacent landowners to the trail plan to join his lawsuit, but the names have not been released.

Along with the lawsuit in Nodaway County, a suit involving Danny Moore, primary litigant against the nature trail in Atchison County, is waiting for the Friends of Wabash to file a motion for the summary judgment. The deadline for the motion was postponed to Dec. 8, Ecker said.

Farm

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and community service.

The Wilmes family began farming in 1960 and have been doing it for almost 40 years. Raymond and Roberta have been married for 35 years and have five children.

Their children have been outstanding in service acts and farming as well.

"They began small and then grew to a larger farm," Jewell said. "They now have trimmed back to spend more time on their hobbies."

Roberta Wilmes was surprised when they announced her family as the winner. She was not expecting

to win because of the other nominations and competition they were going against.

"It is quite an honor and we are still shocked," Wilmes said. "We are thankful because things does not always come in life that are unexpected."

Along with farm family, awards were given for outstanding farm youth to Melanie Acklin and outstanding farm woman to Chelyn Lager.

Hale Sanders, Parnell, was inducted into the Nodaway County Agriculture Hall of Fame. Sanders was recognized for his outstanding dedication and strong ambition in farming.

In Brief

Company merges with competition

Roosevelt Bank was purchased by Mercantile Bancorporation, and all Roosevelt accounts were transferred to Mercantile accounts Monday.

The merger will create about 500 additional locations throughout Missouri, Illinois, Kansas, Iowa and Arkansas.

Mercantile will continue many of Roosevelt's services such as Roosevelt's free checking account, bill payments by phone and check cards.

Customers are able to pay their bills by a phone call. They can pay an unlimited number of merchant accounts and arrange for automatic recurring payments.

Both ATM and check cards allow customers to withdraw cash, check a balance, transfer funds and make deposits.

For their convenience, customers may also use ATM cards at any Mercantile location without having to pay a fee.

Chamber decorates park for holidays

Franklin Park will become a "Winter Wonderland" this season at 10 a.m. Saturday. The Maryville Chamber of Commerce will decorate the park with Christmas lights.

Anyone interested is invited to come participate. Refreshments will be offered for all volunteers.

Event highlights seasonal shopping

Maryville businesses are ready to kick off the annual citywide Holiday Open House. This year's event will be from noon to 4 p.m. Sunday.

Employees of local businesses will be dressed up to start the holiday shopping season. Customers can browse the stores and see what merchandise they offer. Some businesses will also be serving refreshments.

Club's blood drive attracts donors

A bloodmobile sponsored by the Business and Professional Women Club Nov. 13 was at the First United Methodist Church. The bloodmobile had nearly 200 participants.

Fifty-seven people were announced as "Friends 4 Life," and presented a T-shirt or mug. A "Friend 4 Life" is a person who has donated blood four times in one year.

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Public Safety

November 8

■ While an officer was on patrol in the 900 block of South Main Street, he observed a vehicle run off the roadway and returned onto the roadway. The vehicle was stopped and while talking with the driver, Cecil R. Green, 32, Maryville, an odor of intoxicants was detected. He was asked to perform a field sobriety test which he could not complete successfully. He was arrested on charges of driving while intoxicated after his blood alcohol content tested over the legal limit. He was also issued a citation for leaving the roadway.

■ An officer took a report from a local business that a male subject had left without paying for gasoline. Estimated value was \$10.01.

■ While on patrol in the 700 block of North Filmore Street, an officer observed female subjects walking and carrying alcoholic beverages. When two of the subjects observed the officer, they sat the alcohol on the ground and started to walk away. They were stopped and identified as Jennifer S. Curry, 19, Maryville, and Renee L. Dalton, 20, Kansas City. They were both issued summons for minor in possession and littering.

■ The vehicles of Shanelle A. Jackson, Barnard, Merel D. Poppa, Maryville, and Chad J. Legate, Maryville, were southbound on U.S. 71. Legate was stopped in traffic and Poppa was slowing down. Jackson pulled from Summit Drive onto 71 and struck Poppa in the rear causing him to strike Legate in the rear. A citation was issued to Jackson for failure to exercise.

November 9

■ A Maryville male reported to an officer that he had been assaulted by another male in the 400 block of North Buchanan Street.

■ An officer issued a summons for affray following an incident in the 1100 block of South Main Street to the following people: Jeffrey T. Peve, 34, St. Joseph; Chad A. Powell, 21, Stewartsville; Kelly A. Sunken, 18; and Erin M. Douglass, 18, both of Maryville.

■ A bicycle was recovered from the 400 block of East Second Street.

Another bicycle was recovered from the 400 block of Lawn Avenue.

November 10

■ A Maryville female reported to an officer that while her vehicle was parked at her residence, it appeared that someone jumped on the hood causing a huge dent.

■ Charles R. Cousins, Griswold, Iowa, was westbound on 16th Street. While attempting to make a turn, he turned in front of the vehicle of Laura J. Lambert, Maryville, who was eastbound on 16th Street. A citation was issued to Cousins for careless and imprudent driving.

■ Fire units responded to a residence north of Maryville on a complaint of an odor of gas. Upon arrival, a gas smell was detected near the furnace. The owners were advised to have someone check the furnace.

■ An officer took a report from a Maryville female who said she was being harassed by a male subject.

■ Fire units responded to the 600 block of South Main Street on a fire call. Upon arrival, no fire was showing and after checking the building, it was determined there was a problem with the furnace.

November 11

■ An officer took a report from a Maryville male who said he has been receiving harassing phone calls.

■ A nine-year-old Maryville male was referred to the juvenile officer following an incident in the 200 block of East Second Street in which he caused a disturbance.

■ An officer arrested April S. Runnels, 22, Albany, on charges of larceny following an incident at a local business in which a carton of cigarettes, video tape and activity magnets were taken without being paid for. Estimated value was \$35.40. She was released after posting bond.

■ The vehicle of Della M. Owens, Maryville, was northbound on Munn Street and pulled into traffic from a posted stop sign and struck the vehicle of Lori A. Mardis, Maryville, who was westbound on First Street. A citation was issued to Owens for failure to yield.

■ The vehicle of Marvin E. Turner Jr., Stanberry, was eastbound on Sixth Street and pulled into traffic from a posted stop sign and struck the vehicle of Jane A. Poe, who was southbound on Market Street. A citation was issued to Turner for failure to yield.

November 12

■ While a vehicle of the Amoco Corporation, Chicago, was parked, it was struck by the vehicle of Amber A. Vanwyk, Maryville, who left the scene. After receiving the license plate number and description of Vanwyk's vehicle, it was later located. A citation was issued to Vanwyk for careless and imprudent driving and leaving the scene of an accident.

■ An officer was serving a Maryville Municipal Court warrant for failure to appear to Terry A. Troncin, 19, Hopkins, when the officers observed Troncin throw an object on the ground. Upon retrieval of the item, it was determined to be a bag containing a green leafy substance which tested positive for marijuana. He is being held pending charges.

November 13

■ An officer took a report from a local business that they were missing a blue Bluejet Anhydrous Applicator with 11 knives.

■ A Maryville female reported to an officer that her house had been shot at with paintballs damaging a window screen.

■ An officer took a report from a Maryville male who said his residence was shot at with paintballs causing paint splatters on the front of the residence.

■ A Maryville male reported he discovered paint splatters from paintballs on the siding of his residence and the garage door. One paintball had damaged the siding leaving a small indentation.

■ The vehicle of Tabetha A. Verbick, Maryville, was northbound on Main Street. She said she fell asleep and left the roadway striking a light pole. Verbick received probable but not apparent injuries. No citations were issued.

November 14

■ A Maryville female reported to an officer the theft of her 1990 Pontiac Grand Am from her residence. The vehicle was locked but had a spare set of keys in it. After receiving the report, it was determined the vehicle had been recovered on campus where it had been involved in a damage to campus property.

■ An officer took a report from a local business that a window had been broken out. It appeared it had been kicked in. Nothing was found to be missing.

■ An officer took a report of two mailboxes being damaged. It appeared that they had been hit by a vehicle.

■ A Ravenwood male reported that while driving in town he was followed by another vehicle. While stopped at a stop light, he was struck in the rear by the vehicle. The case was referred to the prosecutor.

■ An officer took a report of a window of a local business being broken. A sign hanging in the window had also been broken.

November 15

■ A Maryville female reported that while her vehicle was parked in the 400 block of North Buchanan Street, the passenger-side window was broken. Nothing was found missing.

■ A fire unit responded to the 700 block of West Torrance Street on a telephone call for service. The owner stated her oven had made a popping sound. Upon investigation, no fire or smoke was found and it was determined the heating element had malfunctioned.

■ The vehicles of Jami M. Anderson, Maryville, and Travis L. Foy, Sidney, Ohio, were southbound on Main Street. Foy was slowing down to make a turn when his vehicle was struck in the rear by Anderson. A citation was issued to Anderson for careless and imprudent driving.

November 16

■ An officer served a Municipal Court warrant for failure to appear to Anthony R. Maxwell, 18,

Maryville. He is being held for bond.

■ The vehicle of Christopher G. Blum, Maryville, was southbound on Main Street and the vehicle of Nyree D. Brown, Maryville, was northbound on Main Street. Brown attempted to make a turn and her vehicle was struck by Blum.

November 17

■ Following an incident in the 100 block of North Davis Street, an officer issued a summons to Robert L. Sturm, 21, Maryville, on charges of assault.

Campus Safety

November 7

■ Campus Safety received a complaint of individuals throwing trash from a building on campus. Forty summons to the vice president of student affairs was issued for littering.

November 8

■ Campus Safety received a report from a staff member concerning fraternity hazing. An investigation was initiated.

November 9

■ A student reported receiving harassing phone messages. An investigation was initiated.

November 10

■ A staff member reported vandalism to a bathroom in a building on campus. An investigation was initiated.

■ A student reported receiving harassing messages over the computer system. The offender was located and issued a warning for behavior.

November 11

■ Campus Safety responded to a fire alarm in a building on campus. The alarm was unfounded.

■ Campus Safety responded to a medical emergency in a building on campus. The patient was assisted by emergency medical services and was transported to St. Francis Hospital.

November 13

■ Campus Safety investigated a report of a stolen vehicle on campus. Information was gathered, and the victim later informed Campus Safety that the report was falsified. The report was forwarded to the Prosecutor's office.

■ Campus Safety investigated a possible littering/disorderly conduct at a building on campus. The offender was unable to be located. An investigation was initiated.

■ Campus Safety investigated a stolen motor vehicle involved in damaging University property. Suspects were located and interviewed by Maryville Public Safety.

November 14

■ A student reported receiving harassing phone calls. An investigation was initiated.

Obituaries

J Darell Quinn

J Darell Quinn, 85, Maryville, died Nov. 10 at Parkdale Manor Nursing Home in Maryville.

He was born March 19, 1912, to Rosa Lee and Jimmy Dick Quinn in Gentry.

Survivors include his wife, one son; and two nieces.

Services were Nov. 13 at the Price Funeral Home Chapel in Maryville.

Bernice Stafford

Bernice Stafford, 94, died Nov. 12 at Heritage Health Care Center in Gering, Neb.

She was born Nov. 5, 1903, to Francis Perry and Gertrude Maude Holt in Bushnell, Ill.

Survivors include one daughter; six grandchildren; and 17 great-grandchildren.

Services were Nov. 15 at the Price Funeral Home Chapel in Maryville.

New Arrivals

Cheyenne Irene Cowan

Brenda Link and Scott Cowan, Sheridan, are the parents of Cheyenne Irene, born Nov. 4 at St. Francis Hospital in Maryville.

She weighed 9 pounds and 4 ounces and joins two sisters and four brothers.

Grandparents are Larry and Joanne Gheens, Salisbury, and June Cowan, Elmo.

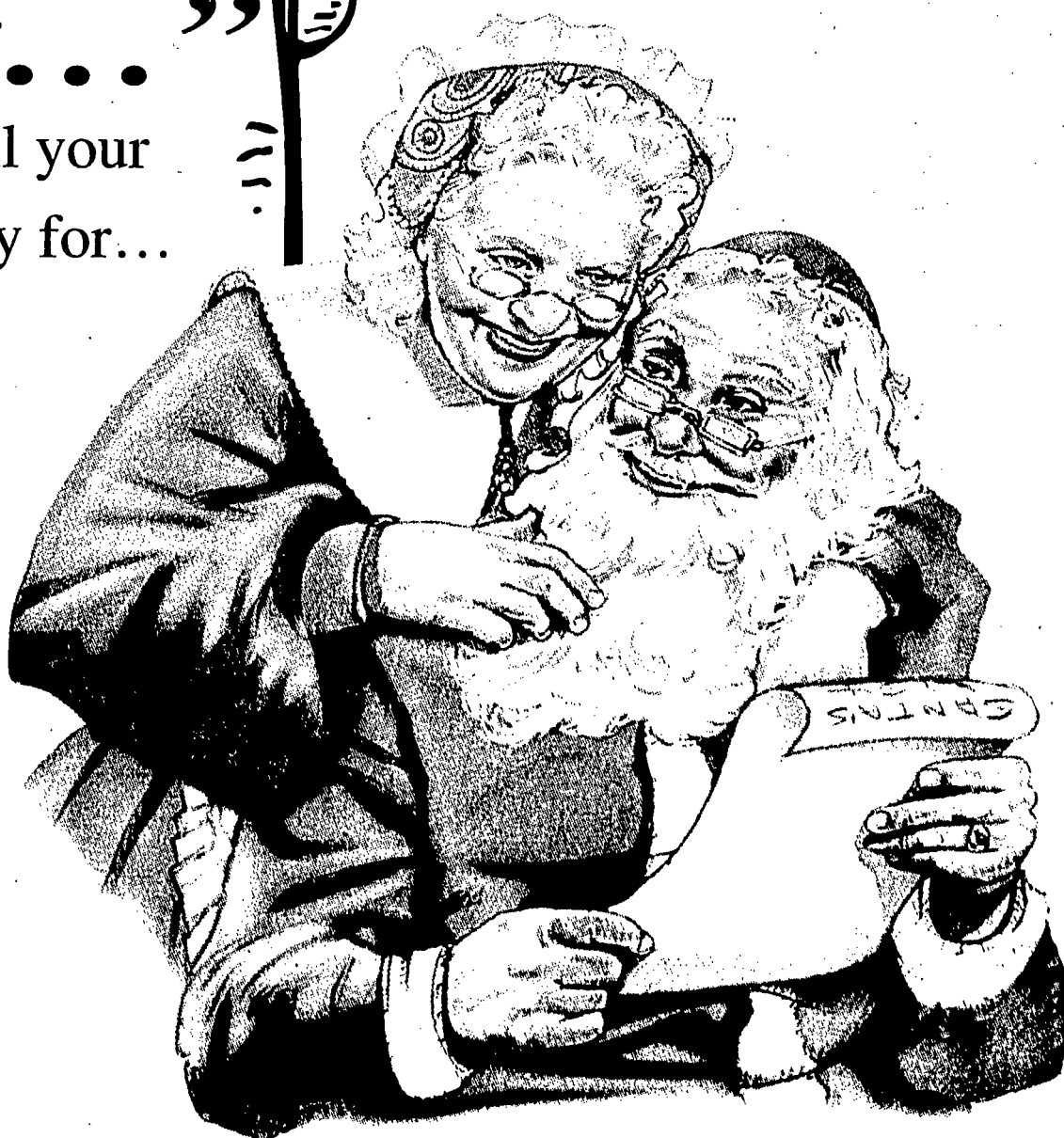
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Bearcats vs. Bison

Northwest, North Dakota State will wage playoff war



Junior quarterback Chris Grelsen drops back to pass in Saturday's triumph over Emporia State, 44-38. Northwest clinched their second straight MIAA title with the win. The 'Cats focus is on

the NCAA Division II playoffs and North Dakota State. If the Bearcats fans provide a sellout crowd and the 'Cats nip the Bison, another home playoff game is likely.

B.J. Linnenbrink/Contributing photographer

No. 3 'Cats begin march to Alabama

by Colin McDonough
Managing Editor

It is sudden death — a do or die situation, but the second season is what the Bearcats have fought for all year.

It all boils down to this as the Bearcats play host to the North Dakota State University Bison Saturday. It marks the first-ever home playoff game at Northwest with the kickoff slated for noon.

"Now, it's just a matter of taking care of business each week because it's a whole new situation," head coach Mel Tjeerdsma said. "We're in sudden death now — lose and it's over."

The Bison enter the contest with a mark of 9-2 and a record of 7-2 in the North Central Conference. Northwest brings a mark of 11-0, including a perfect 9-0 mark in the MIAA. The 'Cats are ranked No. 3 in the nation while the Bison are No. 16.

Bob Babich, North Dakota State head coach, said he thinks both squads will come ready to play in the postseason.

"(Northwest) players are excited and confident as are our players," Babich said. "It's the second season now, and there is no time for mental letdowns or lack of execution when you play this game."

Seating info:

Bearcat fans looking to attend Saturday's game need to remember not to sit between the 30-yard lines on the west side of Rickenbrode Stadium. Those seats are reserved for North Dakota State fans.

Fans should arrive at the game early to gain seats. There will be standing-room-only sections in the north and south end zones.

Tjeerdsma said there will be a few factors riding on Saturday's game.

"Turnovers will be a real key," he said. "Along with mistakes and penalties. We've had a little problem with that, and I think that's something we're going to have to eliminate. If our offense can do their job, score some points and not turn the ball over — I think we'll be in good shape."

The game will come down to a battle on defense, Tjeerdsma said.

"You know when you have two very good defensive teams like we have, then it becomes which offense continues to execute and do things right and which team makes the mistakes," Tjeerdsma said.

The strength of the Bison is evi-

dent in the numbers.

"I would call them a defensive football team," Tjeerdsma said. "Statistically they rank right up there in the country. They rank No. 1 in turnover margin."

Jake Morris, senior running back for the Bison, has rushed for 1,710 yards and 15 touchdowns this season.

"He's a little different than anybody we've seen," Tjeerdsma said. "He might be faster than anybody we've played. If he can get around the corner, he's pretty tough to catch."

Although Babich has only watched the Bearcats on videotape, he thinks they are very impressive.

"They are a very athletic team and an excellent team that has a very productive offense," Babich said. "Defensively, they are as good athletically as we have seen all year. Anytime you go 11-0, you've got a pretty good football team."

Dave Purnell, sophomore placekicker/punter, said the 'Cats have to put their perfect season behind them and focus on the present task at hand.

"Basically, we're 11-0, and we have to scratch that off our minds," Purnell said. "We are just going to have to take it like another home game and do our best."

Northwest schedule

@Midwestern State, 52-14	W
@Wayne State, 57-7	W
Missouri Southern, 31-26	W
Missouri Western, 52-13	W
Washburn, 17-14	W
Missouri-Rolla, 38-3	W
Southwest Baptist, 59-3	W
Pittsburg State, 15-14	W
Central Missouri State, 41-9	W
Truman State, 34-10	W
@Emporia State, 44-38	L

Bold games are MIAA games.

NDSU schedule

West Georgia State, 31-14	W
Texas A&M-Commerce, 51-0	W
Nebraska-Omaha, 21-27	L
Augustana, 37-0	W
@Northern Colorado, 28-24	W
Morningside, 35-0	W
@North Dakota, 31-10	W
@South Dakota State, 27-34	L
St. Cloud State, 31-0	W
@Mankato State, 47-20	W
@South Dakota, 24-21 OT	W

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'Cats shatter 20 records on way to perfect season

Marks are falling at a record pace this season for the Bearcats as they roll into the NCAA Division II playoffs Saturday.

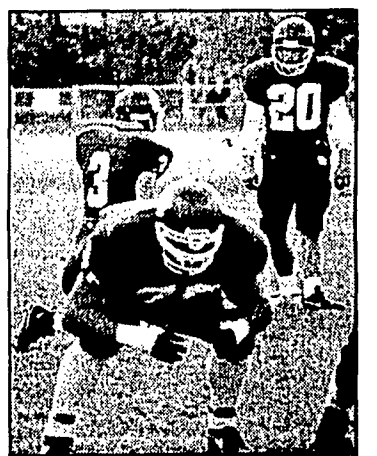
The 'Cats have set or tied 20 team or individual records this season including points scored with 440 and most wins with 11.

Dave Purnell, sophomore placekicker/punter set six records for the Bearcats including: most points by kicker (96), most PATs attempted in a season (56), most PATs attempted in a career (95), most field goals in a game (3), most field goals in a season (14) and highest field goal percentage in a season (.875, 14-16).

"It's a very big honor," Purnell said. "You really don't hear that much about a kicker on a winning football team. It's a big honor, and I'm very proud of it. I couldn't have done it without (junior safety Brian) Sutton and the offensive line."

The 'Cats set the team record for points scored in a season, and head coach Mel Tjeerdsma said it is an impressive statistic.

"It says a lot about our team," Tjeerdsma said. "We can score a lot of points, and we rolled up a lot of offense."



Jennifer Meyer/Photography Director
Sophomore kicker Dave Purnell lines up to attempt a kick.

Team records

Most victories in season — 11
Win-loss percentage — 1.000
Season scoring — 440
Highest scoring average — 40.0
Most TDs scored — 57
Most PATs kicked — 56
Most field goals made — 14
Season total offense — 4,554
Total offense/game — 414.0
Highest avg./pass attempt — 8.7

Lineman earns spot in Snow Bowl

The team aspect is showing once again for the football squad.

Josh Baker, senior offensive tackle, earned a trip to the Snow Bowl, a Division II all-star game Jan. 10, in the FargoDome in Fargo, N.D.

Baker said it is great to receive the honor, but he has other ideas at this point.

"My heart's in the team, and the playoffs are more important," Baker said. "I'd rather be playing

for a national championship. But this is just icing on the cake."

Head coach Mel Tjeerdsma said he is not surprised to hear Baker's reaction to earning a spot.

"That's the great thing about our football team," Tjeerdsma said. "We always treat team first, and it is something that is after the season is over for him to enjoy."

Players are nominated by coaches who turn in a list to a committee that evaluate the players.

Statistical comparison

Northwest	North Dakota State
Grelsen - 2,456 yards, 23 TD, 7 INT	Feeney - 1,321 yards, 16 TD, 7 INT
Lane - 112.737 yards, 11 TD	Morris - 260-1,710 yards, 15 TD
Hanson - 30 catches, 475 yards	Strehlow - 32 catches 585 yards
Lane, Purnell - 96 points	Morris - 90 points
Crowe - 124 tackles, 5.5 sacks	Fredricks - 128 tackles, 1 sack
Sutton, Nelson - 3 INT	McKinnon, Swanson - 4 INT
414 yards total offense	401 yards total offense
248.8 yards total defense	274.1 yards total defense
440 points, 40.0 ppg	363 points, 33.0 ppg
151 points, 13.7 ppg	150 points, 13.6 ppg
51 (Buckwalter 6, Knutson 6)	30 (Steffen 7)
14 (24 gained, 20 lost)	22 (35 gained, 13 lost)

Starting lineups

OFFENSE	DEFENSE
Northwest	North Dakota State
QB 14 C. Grelsen	QB 19 K. Feeney
RB 1 C. Pugh	RB 25 J. Morris
FB 39 K. Evans	FB 36 M. Roller
TE 88 M. Becker	TE 84 B. Vaden
79 J. Baker	G 61 S. Markell
72 C. Thompson	G 74 L. Samuel
51 S. Coppinger	C 54 C. Simmers
58 A. Erpelidze	T 73 J. Boumann
75 A. Dorrel	T 65 J. Serchenko
21 W. Hanson	WR 80 T. Strehlow
10 T. Miles	WR 21 N. Zezza
20 D. Purnell	WR 18 K. Johnson
53 A. Becker	LS 90 K. Greger
3 B. Sutton	H 4 G. Schaefer
20 D. Purnell	P 11 J. Torrance
	Northwest
	DE 87 A. Buckwalter
	DE 53 A. Becker
	NT 93 M. Voge
	DE 92 C. Sidwell
	LB 41 D. Combs
	LB 7 A. Crowe
	LB 23 B. Young
	CB 8 A. Skvobera
	CB 46 S. Fredricks
	LB 40 B. Abneman
	SS 20 R. McCullum
	PR 15 M. Kallenbach
	PR 80 T. Strehlow
	KR 25 J. Morris
	KR 21 N. Zezza

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Gridiron comparison: Who's the best of the best? Here's a look at Northwest's stellar squads from '96, '97



Rob J. Brown

The Bearcat football program, the University and Maryville have enjoyed success the past two years, touting two MIAA conference championships and playoff-bound teams. Despite their obvious similarities, these two squads carry different abilities and playing styles. As a sports writer and fan of the Bearcats, I have had the opportunity to take an in-depth look at both the 1996 and '97 squads. Listed below is a commentary comparing each section of the two teams. My pick of the better area is marked by a check mark.

Overall, I do believe this year's team is better and possibly the best in the 82 years of Bearcat football. The few mistakes the '96 team made, this year's crew has learned from them and hopes and better its '96 campaign.

Despite the on-the-field talents of the '97

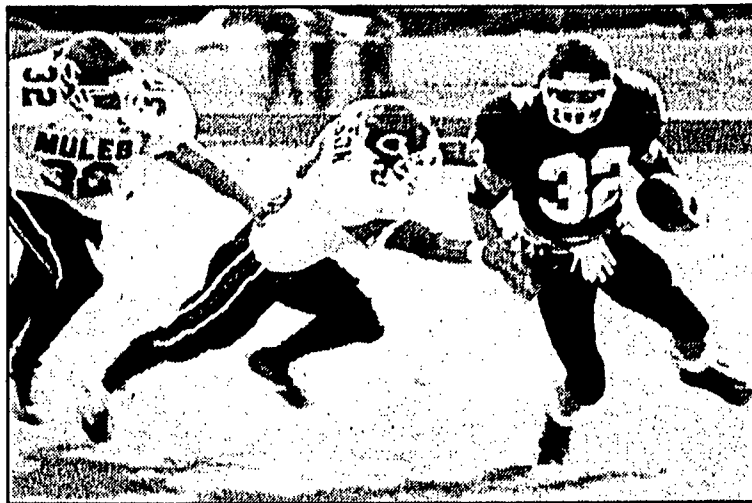
squad, its strength is in leadership. Captains Matt Becker, Dante Combs, Adam Dorrel and Chris Greisen have taken note from head coach Mel Tjeerdsma and molded its team for success.

I hope their success leads to Florence, Ala., the site for the Division II football championship, but the road ahead is long and treacherous.

The playoffs are the start of a whole new season; 11-0 is thrown out the window — one loss and you're going home. So let's keep our eyes set on slaughtering the Bison of North Dakota State Saturday and take one game at a time.

It has always been my motto to get out of the past and live in the now, but I thought I'd offer a bit of opinion comparing these two powerhouse 'Cat squads.

Rob J. Brown is a staff member of the Northwest Missourian.



Junior A-back Derek Lane races past two Central Missouri State defenders. Lane has been an intricate player in both the 1996 and '97 MIAA conference champion Bearcat football teams.

1996 Bearcat starters

Offense:

QB - **Greg Teale** - first team all-MIAA; second team all-Midwest region
B-back - **Kraig Evans**
A-back - **Jesse Haynes** - second team all-MIAA, all-Midwest region
TE - **Matt Becker** - second team all-MIAA
WR - **Jason Melnick** - second team all-MIAA
WR - **Mark Servé**
T - **Matt Gilbert**
C - **Cal Coppinger**
G - **Steve Coppinger**
G - **Adam Dorrel** - second team all-MIAA
T - **Josh Baker**

Defense:

DE - **Kirk Larson**
NG - **Andy Hoggatt**
DT - **Ambrows Moreland** - second team all-MIAA
DE - **Matt Uhde** - first team all-MIAA, all-Midwest region; CoSIDA, AP, AFCA first team all-American
OLB - **Dante Combs**
MLB - **Ken Gordon** - first team all-MIAA
OLB - **Damon Dorris**
C - **Bobby Nelson**
FS - **Brian Sutton** - second team all-MIAA, all-Midwest region
SS - **Malcolm LeBlanc**
C - **Twan Young** - first team all-MIAA

Special teams:

KR - **Mark Servé**
KR - **Bobby Nelson**
PR - **Jason Melnick** - second team all-MIAA returner
P - **Shane Gladin**
K - **Jamie Hazen/David Purnell**

1997 Bearcat starters

Offense:

QB - **Chris Greisen** - first team all-MIAA
B-back - **Kraig Evans**
A-back - **Derek Lane/Charlie Pugh** - Lane is the 10th leading scorer in nation
TE - **Matt Becker** - first team all-MIAA
WR - **Willie Cohen/Scott Courter/Tony Miles** - trio has scored 11 touchdowns
WR - **Wade Hanson** - two 100-plus yard receiving games
T - **Andy Erpelding**
G - **Josh Baker** - second team all-MIAA
C - **Steve Coppinger** - first team all-MIAA
G - **Chad Thompson**
T - **Adam Dorrel** - first team all-MIAA

Defense:

DE - **Cole Sidwell**
NG - **Matt Voge**
DT - **Aaron Becker** - first team all-MIAA
DE - **Alan Buckwalter** - second team all-MIAA
OLB - **Dante Combs** - second team all-MIAA
MLB - **Aaron Crowe** - first team all-MIAA
OLB - **Kevin Singletary**
CB - **Bobby Nelson** - first team all-MIAA
FS - **Brian Sutton** - first team all-MIAA
SS - **Daniel Keys**
CB - **Twan Young** - first team all-MIAA

Special teams:

KR - **Charlie Pugh** - second in nation in returns, first team all-MIAA
KR - **Tony Miles/Maleeke Lawson**
PR - **Bobby Nelson/Tony Miles**
K/P - **David Purnell** - nation's leader in kicking accuracy, second team all-MIAA

MIAA co-champions, roster contained 1 all-American, member of NFL, 11-2

'96

VS.

'97

Outright MIAA champions, holder of 10 team school records, 11-0

'96

Quarterback

'97

It's extremely hard to knock a guy who owns 17 Northwest school passing records, but I am going to. Last year's quarterback **Greg Teale** was a dominant playmaker and one of the key leaders that carried the Bearcats to the playoffs, but **Chris Greisen** is the real deal. There is no doubt Teale owns Greisen in the speed department, but that's where Teale's advantage over Greisen ends. Greisen has met and exceeded every expectation put on him this year. His zipping, pin-point passes and composure in the pocket make me smile every Saturday. To the credit of Teale, a four-year starter, Greisen has one of the best offensive lines in the nation. He doesn't get tossed around like a ragdoll as Teale did during the '94 and '95 seasons. Also Greisen's big hands allow him to grasp the ball with ease. I believe that played a major factor during the monsoon-type weather in the victory over Pittsburg State and could be an asset during the frigid playoffs.

'96

Defensive line

'97

Comparing the '96 and '97 defensive lines is like night and day, but both have been equally effective. The current performers prove that speed is as superior to strength on the defensive line. Last year's group, led by **Kirk Larson**, **Ambrows Moreland** and all-everything **Matt Udhe** used power to bull-rush opponents. Although smaller in size, this year's group has used its quickness to better contain the run and add pressure to opposing quarterbacks. The '97 crew also has racked up more sacks than the '96 behemoths — 51 to be exact. Guys like **Cole Sidwell**, **Alan Buckwalter**, **Matt Voge**, **Aaron Becker** and reserve **Josh "K-nuts" Knutson** have shut any mouths of preseason doubters. With K-nuts and **Buckwalter** battling each week as team sack leaders, they have equaled Udhe's dominance of MIAA offensive linemen. One of the best things about the '97 starting crew is they're all sophomores. Yes Bearcat fans, you'll be seeing those names for two more years.

'96

Offensive line

'97

This is one area that gave me no trouble to make a judgment. The '97 line is undoubtedly the better of the two and quite possibly the best in the history of Bearcat football. The '97 crew does not rely on pure brawn to out play the opposition it uses its smarts. Despite **Josh Baker** and **Chad Thompson**, both 6'3" 300-plus pounds, the other three, **Adam Dorrel**, **Steve Coppinger** and **Andy Erpelding** are undersized as far as college linemen go, but they don't allow size to beat them. Led by Dorrel, this line depends on preparation and technique to pound and contain their opponents week in and week out. The group's unity and drive have made it the heart and soul of the '97 team.

'96

Linebackers

'97

The '97 corp has blended size, speed and tackling perfection to ignite the 'Cat wrecking crew defense. In '96 the defense was a bit soft on the run and in '97 the defense is allowing only 119.9 yards per game rushing. That stat is because of the athleticism and execution of **Dante Combs**, **Aaron Crowe** and **Kevin Singletary**. The trio has combined for 294 tackles while also offering some nimble coverage in the secondary. **Ken Gordon**, '96 first team all-MIAA middle linebacker, was a big loss last year, but you couldn't ask for better replacements than Singletary and Crowe. The '97 starters, coupled with break-out reserves **Wes Simmons**, **Jason Smith** and **Wayland Vacek**, have put no doubt in my mind that they are the best linebacking corp in the MIAA.

'96

Running Backs

'97

Current Kansas City Chief and last year's Bearcat offensive most valuable player, **Jesse Haynes**, is one of the best running backs ever to strap on Bearcat green and white. Haynes, who rushed for a school record 1,453 yards last season, was the workhorse of the '96 offense that averaged nearly 50 more yards per game rushing than this year's squad. Current A-back **Derek "Night Train" Lane** is no slouch though. He was on pace to break Haynes' school record of 17 touchdowns in a season, but Lane suffered a separated shoulder three weeks ago. Luckily he will be back in action this week. **Charlie Pugh** and **David "The Ignitor" Jansen** have also contributed this year giving Northwest a three-headed rushing monster.

There has been no slack this year at B-back, because of the return of **Kraig Evans**. He has continued his rocking of defenses with his superb blocking and kept defenses guessing, showing his running proficiency this year.

'96

Secondary

'97

It is not that the '97 group is less talented, and it may be because of the improvement of this year's linebackers, but I have to give the nod to the '96 secondary.

Only one starter was lost from last year's crew, but has been replaced well by **Daniel Keys** and **David Carlson**. With three of the four secondary starters gaining first team all-MIAA honors, including **Brian Sutton**, **Twan Young** and **Bobby Nelson**, the '97 group as definitely been lickin' and pickin' offenses the entire year.

But, so many times during the '96 season the secondary saved some Bearcat butt. The secondary tallied more tackles than both the linebackers and defensive line. And a safety shouldn't be leading the team in tackles (Sutton led with 129).

Graduating from Maryville High School, I was able to play and watch Brian Sutton on the football field. When the guy began playing on the Bearcat football team, some Spoofhound grads snickered at his skills to play college ball. He not only has proven he can play, his gives bone-crushing tackles and covers quite nicely; the guy has made me a believer. Let me just say that I am now a proud member of the Brian Sutton bandwagon.

'96

Wide receivers

'97

This was a tough area to decide, but at this point the '96 receiving corp, of **Mark Servé**, **Jason Melnick** and **Chris Zeller** is tops. They get the nod because their senior experience and sure hands.

This year's seniors, **Wade Hanson**, **Matt Becker** and **Nick Inzerello**, have shown skills, given leadership and shared game-time ins and outs with the young talents of the '97 group. The '97 crew has mass abilities and with **Tony Miles**, **Scott Courter**, **Steve Comer**, **J.R. Hill** and **Ryan George** all with at least two more years left. The future of Bearcat receivers will crank up the highlight films. Sidebar note: with a healthy **Willie Cohen** in the lineup, the current receivers could edge the '96 corp. Cohen showed me earlier this year that he is a premier big-time hands man and hopefully he'll return good as new next year.

'96

Special teams

'97

The crazy punt return abilities of **Jason Melnick** and **Twan Young** and **Mark Servé's** punt/kick blocking skills gave the '96 team a reason to look forward to special teams play. Although it is excellent in different areas, the '97 squad hasn't skipped a beat.

David Purnell's kicking has been money in the bank, and **Charlie Pugh** is able to use his darting quickness to open the field on kickoff returns. **Tony Miles** could prove to be better than Melnick in the long run, as shown in his 84-yard return against Southwest Baptist University. Also **Greg Bonnett** and **Brian Williams** have paralleled **Alan Buckwalter's** performances last year on lostoff coverage, offering bone-crushing hits to returnmen around the league.

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Bearcat offensive line

Through thick and thin



Adam Dorrel



Chad Thompson



Steve Coppinger



Josh Baker



Andy Erpelding

Trenchmen receive little praise for dirty work, maintain family unity

By Rob J. Brown
Missourian Staff

As branches of a giant oak must start with a solid trunk, typically a championship caliber team begins with a strong offensive line.

The 'Cats have rolled to an 11-0 regular season. Much of that success is because of starting offensive linemen Josh Baker, Steve Coppinger, Adam Dorrel, Andy Erpelding and Chad Thompson, quarterback Chris Greisen said.

Erpelding said through off-season workouts and on and off the field camaraderie, being a Bearcat offensive linemen is nothing but fun.

"We've got a great bunch of guys here," Erpelding said. "We're a close knit group — like a family. That gives us an advantage come game day."

Coppinger said the linemen have a code of family and follow the "I've got your back if you've got mine" motto.

"We're like five brothers out there, and we'll kick a brother's butt if he needs it, but we'll celebrate together too," Coppinger said.

Thompson said an O-lineman's performance is key for a team's success.

"If people want to see the importance of an offensive line just go back and look at film of the 0-11 year," Thompson said. "If the O-line isn't there, the offense is not going to get started — it all starts with us. If you miss a block or something, there goes the play."

With the pressure the group receives from coaches, teammates and fans it is sometimes difficult, Thompson said.

"If something goes wrong all the fingers are pointed at the O-line," Thompson said. "It always falls back

on our shoulders."

Dorrel, who started as a freshman in 1994 during the 0-11 year, said the team and offensive line have made an incredible turnaround since then.

"The difference between my freshman year and now is certainly the togetherness and family attitude," Dorrel said. "When I played back then the guys didn't communicate. They didn't care. They were in it for themselves."

"When I came here it was basically the threshold of hell," Dorrel said. "It's fun to see all of these guys work their butts off and be committed for a cause — winning. It's like planting a tree and seeing it grow. Now, we're really starting to see the rewards."

All we worry about is getting the 'W.' I know our work is appreciated by this team ... getting respect is my statistic.

■ Adam Dorrel, offensive lineman

Baker said a lot goes on inside that most don't realize.

"I don't think the regular fan understands how violent it is," Baker said. "It's a physically violent game, there's a lot of grabbing, collisions and a lot of stuff going on in there that people don't see."

Although no individual statistics are accumulated for offensive linemen, Dorrel said he only cares about winning.

"All we worry about is getting the 'W,'" Dorrel said. "I know our work is very appreciated by this team, and they know that we work hard. Getting respect is my statistic."

Baker said receiving praise and racking up individual statistics is not what the game is all about. He said the group has accepted its role



and understands they won't get all the press after every game.

"I think that's reality, after you're done playing football — that's what life's all about," Baker said. "A lot of times you don't have somebody coming up and patting you on the back for a job that you've done well."

Greisen said he owes all of his success to the offensive line because without them he couldn't make much happen. Each Friday, he gives each of the starting linemen a candy bar to show his appreciation.

"I do the things that I can afford," Greisen said. "They deserve everything I can give them and more. They're doing a great job for me and all of the team this year."

Greisen not only rewards his linemen with treats but showed his full respect for his blockers when he earned the Don Black Award. When he lined up to receive the award and have his picture taken, he called his offensive linemen to come up and huddle around him.

"He's so appreciative of us," Coppinger said. "He's always patting us on the back to keep us up."

Baker said his teammates are sup-

portive of each other's play keeping positive attitudes.

"When you come back to the huddle after something goes wrong, if you had an O-line that didn't care they'd be bitching at you," he said. "But with us we pat each other on the back and encourage them for the next play."

Dorrel said the stereotype of offensive linemen being big, dumb guys who simply take up space in the middle is extremely contradicted.

"What I think separates a good offensive line from a great one, and I like to think we're a great one, is technique," Dorrel said. "Technique is my big thing. When I go against a guy that is more powerful I try to use better technique to play smart. If you can out-smart your guy a couple times, you'll get him thinking, 'What's this guy going to do next?'"

The group not only practices three hours a day, they also watch hours of game film to prepare for games.

"Preparation determines whether

you win or lose," Baker said. "In practice, during film, we learn what it takes to handle our opponents."

Bart Tatum, offensive line coach, said he's never seen a group with a better attitude or commitment to each other and the program. Tatum applauds their sportsmanship.

"Besides their performances, the thing that is notable is that these guys have not had one incident off the field, not an MIP — nothing," Tatum said. "That goes back to family. They all come from great families. You couldn't ask for a better group of guys."

Erpelding said of all of the moments the crew have been through, the Pittsburg State game was most memorable.

"Coach Tatum summed it all up when we were watching film of the Pitt State game," he said. "We were all muddy, and you could see our breath coming out of our helmets. He said that's what being an offensive linemen all about."

Check out the Web.

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Offensive Linemen Adam Dorrel (no. 75), Chad Thompson (no. 72), Steve Coppinger (no. 51), Josh Baker (no. 79) and Andy Erpelding (no. 58), trot to the line of scrimmage, Saturday versus Emporia State. The Bearcats prevailed over the Hornets, 44-38 on its way to be the 1997 MIAA champions.

Jennifer Meyer/Photography Director

In the trenches

Josh Baker - 6'3" 315-lb senior left guard; '97 Snow Bowl participant; '97 second team all-MIAA; '96 honorable mention all-MIAA; two-year starter

Steve Coppinger - 6'3" 267-lb junior center; '97 first team all-MIAA; '96 honorable mention all-MIAA; two-year starter

Adam Dorrel - 5'11" 284-lb senior center; team co-captain; '97 first team all-MIAA; '96 second team all-MIAA; '95 honorable mention all-MIAA; three-year starter

Andy Erpelding - 6'3" 252-lb freshman redshirt; first-year starter

Chad Thompson - 6'3" 300-lb sophomore; first-year starter

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3 p.m. Tampa vs. Drury (men)
6 p.m. Northwest vs. Rockhurst (women)
8 p.m. Northwest vs. Tougaloo (men)

Nov. 22

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8 p.m. Northwest vs. Tampa or Drury (men)

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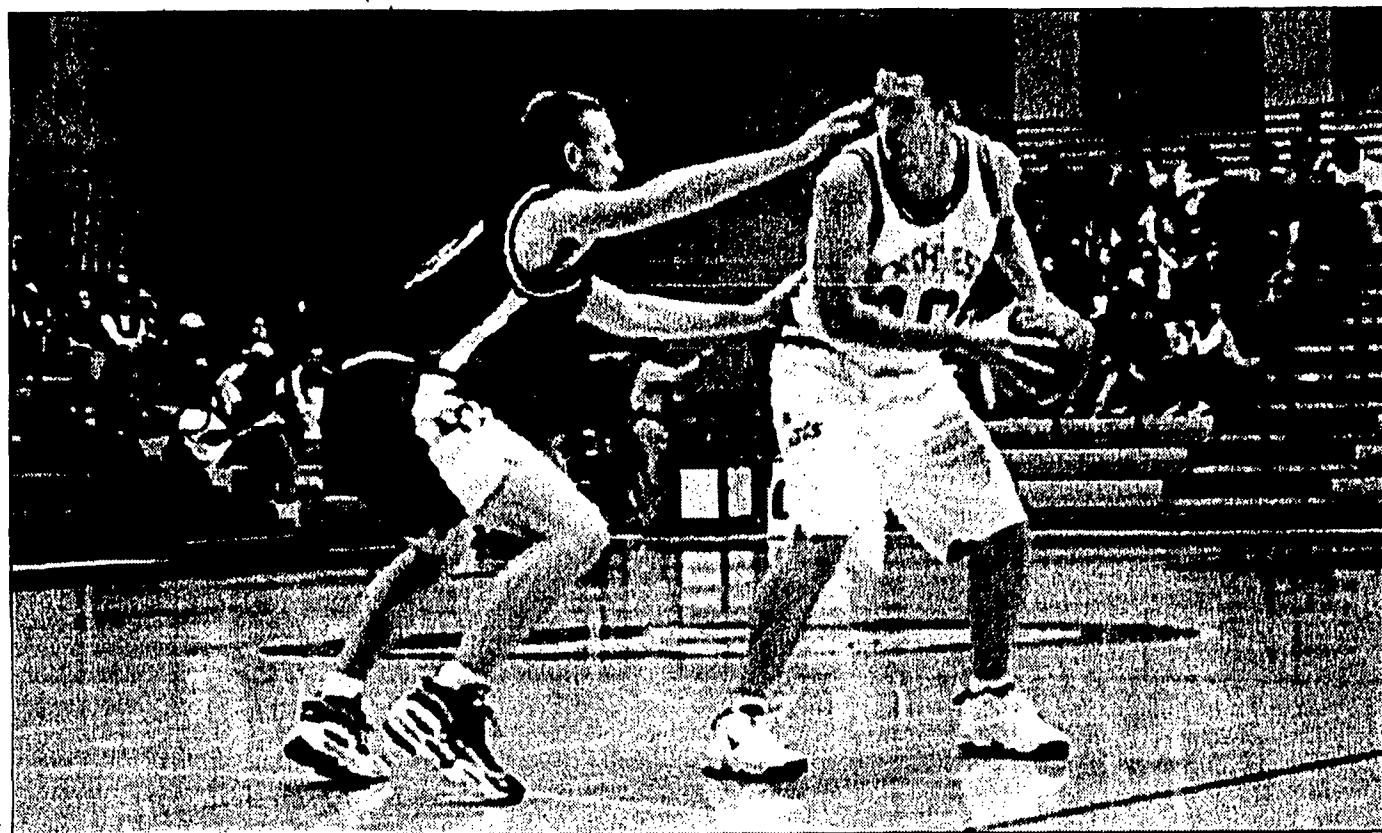
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Junior forward Mike Morley holds off a Faith Baptist Bible College defender as he looks for an open teammate. All 12 players participated in the 83-65 win. The Bearcats play Tugaloo (Miss.) at 8 p.m. Friday in Bearcat Arena.

John Petrovic/
Contributing Photographer



Men's basketball notches 2nd victory

by JP Farris
Chief Reporter

The 'Cats found themselves alone in the cage with the Faith Baptist Bible College Eagles Tuesday and the Benedictine Ravens Friday, but only feathers remained when they finished.

All 12 players scored and played at least 10 minutes in the 83-35 win over the NAIA Division II Eagles. The Bearcats sported a balanced attack with a 46-4 first-half lead. Junior forwards Matt Redd and LeVant Williams both had a game-high 13 points with senior forward Brian Burleson adding 12.

Although the game was a blow-out, the Bearcats still used it as a learning experience.

"(The score of the game) allowed us to play a lot of different combinations and kind of learn more about our team from the standpoint of a

game situation," head coach Steve Tappmeyer said.

Tappmeyer mixed defenses and used the entire offensive playbook. "We're predominately a (man-to-man defensive) team, but we wanted to slow things down and work on things," he said. "I think defensively we got a little sloppy, but it's hard not to do that in a situation like this."

Although the Bearcats will learn from this game, Tappmeyer thought they may have been better off to not even partake in it.

"In some respects a game like this is not as beneficial as practice," he said. "Because you don't get your top seven (players) that are going to be out there playing the number of (repetitions) you need to."

The Bearcats saw little resistance from Benedictine College in the season opener Friday. The 74-56 victory win was not only the Bearcats' first test; it was the first chance for

senior point guard "Shakey" Harrington to showcase himself.

"I've been anticipating this day since I've been here," Harrington said. "It feels like I'm starting over again, almost like a freshman. I've been sitting out almost a year and a half, and I had a lot of butterflies. But I knew what was expected of me so I was going to have to step up and do my job."

Harrington was redshirted last season. There were two senior guards, and he had one year of eligibility left. After three semesters without a game, Tappmeyer expected him to be a little rusty.

"I really would not have been surprised if he would have struggled tonight," Tappmeyer said. "He hasn't played for a while, and he was so hyped up for the game."

Harrington scored a game-high 24 points with two assists and three steals. Redd also sparked the Bear-

cats with 14 points and 11 rebounds.

Off the pine, Williams supplied the Bearcats with 13 points on five of six shooting including one from beyond the three-point arc and eight rebounds. Knocking down the first two or three shots he took really got Williams in rhythm, Tappmeyer said.

"He's been struggling to pick up the system," he said. "It looked like when he came out tonight and got his first couple jumpers down he got a lot more confidence."

This weekend the 'Cats will play host to the Ryland Milner Classic, featuring Tugaloo (Miss.), Tampa (Fla.) and Drury College. The Bearcats open up against a run and gun Tugaloo team at 8 p.m. Friday in Bearcat Arena.

"We don't want to come out and lose our own tournament again, that was kind of sad last year," Burleson said. "I think we have the right people on this team to do well."

Spikers' season ends with 2 conference losses

by Wendy Broker
University Sports Editor

The volleyball team wrapped up its season over the weekend with losses to conference foes Missouri Southern State College and Pittsburg State University.

The women fought four games against Pitt State Saturday, but came up short, 8-15, 15-7, 8-15, 11-15.

Some bright spots for the 'Cats were Diann Davis, senior middle hitter and Abby Sunderman, freshman middle hitter. Davis recorded 11 kills and 10 blocks, while Sunderman notched 11 kills as well and put up seven blocks.

Jill Quast, freshman outside hitter, pulled up 20 digs as Jenny Waldron, junior outside hitter, added 19. Freshman setter Abby Williams picked up 37 assists in the match.

Head coach Sarah Pelster said the women had the same problems all weekend which cost them both matches.

"All weekend, we made serving and passing errors," Pelster said. "We had eight serving errors and eight receiving errors against Southern and 10 serving errors and 11 receiving errors against Pittsburg. When you make that kind of mistakes, it's hard to have offense and win matches."

The Bearcats took on the Lions of Missouri Southern Friday coming out of the three-game match with the loss, 11-15, 11-15, 14-15 despite the team's effort.

Davis was named to the all-conference second team. Quast and Sundermann received honorable mentions. Pelster said this honor shows the conference is noting Northwest's abilities.

"Having three women represent us in such an elite group means other coaches are noticing us," Pelster said.

Overall, Pelster was pleased with the women's play this season especially with the players' inexperience.

"It's been kind of up and down this season, typical of a young team,"

Pelster said. "With five freshmen seeing a significant amount of playing time, I was very pleased with the season. We just have to work on our consistency. We lost at least four or five matches in five games, and we beat a nationally ranked (No. 25) team in Wayne State (College)."

The weekend matchups were not only the end to a winning season but final games for two seniors.

Davis, a four-year letterwinner for the squad, ended the season after breaking two Northwest records, one for block assists and the other for total blocks. Davis ranks No. 9 in the nation in blocks as well. She also averaged over three kills a match for the team.

Outside hitter Suzi Fabian, also a four-year letterwinner for the squad, played well for the team this season as well. She provided digging and passing experience for the young team.

Pelster said the seniors will be missed, because it will be hard to replace their experience and what they have done for the team in the past four years.

"Diann has been a dominant force in the middle," Pelster said. "She led the team and the conference in blocking this season and broke two Northwest records. There is a definite loss of a great leader there."

"Suzi has been excellent for the team in digging and passing all four years. We will miss her passing and defensive play the most. They will both be very hard to replace."

The future looks bright for the team even without these women, Pelster said.

"This was a learning year for us, a rebuilding year, but three freshmen were helping lead the team," Pelster said. "We knew we would take a few knocks, but we'd learn from them. We have made big strides for a young team, and I only see this team getting better. We will work on consistency in the offseason and by next fall we will be much more stable."

Runners travel to National meet

by Wendy Broker
University Sports Editor

The season is drawing to a close for the men's and women's cross country teams as they travel to Kenosha, Wis., for the NCAA Division II National meet Saturday.

Seniors Kathy Kearns, Dana Luke and Carrie Sindelar, along with juniors Jennifer Miller and Lindsey Borgstadt, sophomore Becca Glassel and freshman Sarah Handrup will represent Northwest at the meet.

The women are currently ranked No. 8 in the nation and hope to perform at that level this weekend.

"We have ran well the two previ-

ous times we've been in Kenosha," head coach Bud Williams said. "We hope to improve a third time. We are not changing anything going into this meet. We plan to peak one final time at this meet. We want to go out and do our best in our own right not regarding who we run against."

Men compete at NCAA meet

The men will join the women at the National meet this weekend with high hopes and strong efforts.

Juniors Robby Lane, Don Ferree, Corey Parks and Brian Cornelius, sophomores Bryan Thornburg and Matt Johnson and freshman Mike Ostreko will be running for the men.

It will take more than just mental and physical preparation for the men to do well at the meet, head coach Rich Alsop said.

"We will go up there and do as well as we can," Alsop said. "We will have to have a pack time of 1:30 at least to finish in the top 10. It is a great accomplishment for us to be there, but we want to go there and do something. We have the capabilities."

Alsop said the best Northwest has ever finished at Nationals is 12th, and the men want to beat that. The team is ranked No. 14 going into the meet.

"It will be nice for the season finale if we can put all the pieces together," he said.

Bearcats survive Hornets' upset bid

by Colin McDonough
Managing Editor

The "Sting and Shoot" proved to be a worthy nickname for the Emporia State University offense Saturday, but the Bearcats staved off the upset with a strong fourth-quarter performance.

Northwest held off Emporia State, 44-38, and clinched an outright MIAA title for the first time since 1984.

Mel Tjeerdsma, head football coach, said the Hornets did everything they could to make it tough on the 'Cats.

"You have to give them a lot of credit," Tjeerdsma said. "They had

a good game plan on both sides of the ball."

A key to the game occurred early on, as the Hornets starting quarterback Pete Jelovic went down with an injury.

"They were real fortunate their starter got hurt, because that made a tremendous difference," Tjeerdsma said. "He would have had a bad day, but that backup was darned quick and we hadn't prepared for that. It hurts you when you don't prepare in that way."

The nation's leader in total offense, Brian Shay, had a tough day against the Bearcat defense but was still able to reach the 100-yard plateau.

"He had two runs that were pretty good runs, but other than that, we did a good job of handling him," Tjeerdsma said. "That was one thing going into the game we felt we had to do (was stop Shay) and keep him from making big plays. We kept him out of the end zone, and I didn't know that we would do that."

With Northwest leading 41-31 late in the fourth quarter, junior safety Brian Sutton intercepted a Hornets' pass that proved to be the difference in the game.

"The key to that was that we got a lot of pressure on the quarterback," Tjeerdsma said. "It was fourth and inches, and they decided to throw it rather than run it with Shay."

'Cats win Jewell tournament

■ Women's basketball crowned champs following overtime victory over host William Jewell Saturday

By Kevin Schultz
Chief Reporter

A thrilling overtime victory, a new record and a tournament championship describe the women's basketball team's weekend at the William Jewell Tournament.

The 'Cats defeated Ottawa, Kan. in their first contest by a blowout of 78-44. The team's defense contributed greatly to the 34-point spread.

"Considering it was the first game of the year, we played fairly well," head coach Wayne Winstead said. "We still have some things to work on, but it wasn't bad for a start to the season."

The Bearcats proved their worth against William Jewell by meeting expectations with a win. It was against a more formidable opponent, Winstead said.

"William Jewell was a very tough game," Winstead said. "I give them a lot of credit, but we did not play with enough consistency, but we did prove something."

Inconsistent play throughout much of the game left the 'Cats trailing by 10 with only 2:44 remaining in the game.

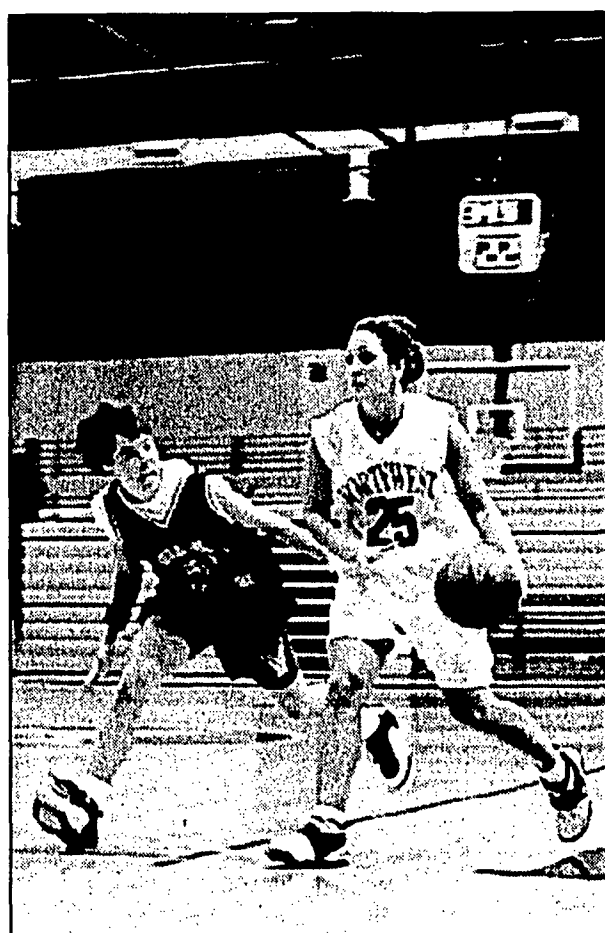
But the 'Cats sprung back to tie the game and send the contest to overtime.

"We were down by 10 (points) late," Winstead said. "But the ladies never gave up or panicked. They ran the offense and kept playing hard. They have a lot of heart."

It was that heart that carried them to an 86-84 overtime victory and the tournament championship.

The championship is attributed to great post play from senior forwards Annie Coy and Denise Sump. With Pam Cummings, senior point guard, feeding them the ball, the two inside forces combined for 45 points and 26 boards.

"Coy and Sump played big in both contests as well as junior-transfer forward Allison Edwards," Winstead said. "Edwards seemed to pick up her game and had a consistent tournament, scoring 15 in the first game and 16 in the second."



Jennie Nelson/Staff Photographer

Senior guard Pam Cummings tries to keep the ball away from a Nebraska All-Star in last week's exhibition game. The 'Cats play Rockhurst Friday night in Bearcat Arena.

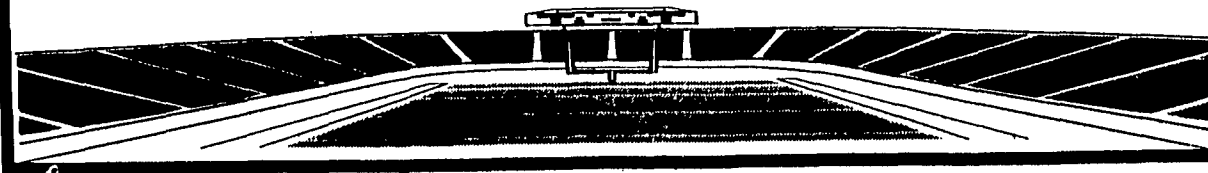
With two regular season victories notched away, the 'Cats turn their focus to the Ryland Milner Classic. "We don't know much about William Penn, they have so many new players," Winstead said. "But we know Rockhurst is for real and they will be very tough. That should be a great test."

The Ryland Milner Classic will be this weekend with the 'Cats playing Rockhurst at 6 p.m. Friday in Bearcat Arena.

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Spoofhounds prepare for *hot* winter season

Maryville High School teams attempt to continue last year's success



Tim Kay/Chief Photographer

Junior Ben Scott takes the inbounds pass as sophomore Kyle Lager attempts to get the steal. The 'Hounds will start the season Tuesday.

Tip-off inches near for boys' hoopsters

by Mark Hornickel
Chief Reporter

Coming off a season with 20 wins, the boys' basketball season will hit the hardwood this Tuesday with high expectations.

"I think the fact that we have an experienced ballclub coming back is one of the reasons why the expectations are high," head coach Mike Kuwitzky said. "We have basically the whole team back from last season and that's some encouragement that they can have a good season this year."

Junior Ryan Morley will return after putting in a solid season last year, Kuwitzky said. He led the 'Hounds with 11.6 points per game and 6.6 rebounds per game.

Seniors John Otte and Grant Sutton will also return to the team this season. Otte led the team with three assists per game while Sutton averaged 10.9 points and 3.7 rebounds per contest.

Kuwitzky said senior Tyler Hardy may also see a lot of playing time this year. As the 'Hounds' sixth man last season, he averaged 10 points per game.

A list of players including seniors John Edmonds, Jaimie Loch, Keith Wurm, Adam Weldon, Craig Archer, and juniors Nick Glasnapp, Mike Nanninga, Adam Otte and Ben Scott will also help the team with returning experience.

"I think (one of) the characteristics of this team is that it works hard," Kuwitzky said. "They show a lot of unselfishness. They play as a team. They're really good people, good stu-

dents and I enjoy working with them."

In addition to a deep group of returning players, Kuwitzky said a Northeast Nodaway transfer student, junior Adam Johnson, will be a strong attribute to the team.

"We're really excited about his presence with us, and he'll figure into the mix quite well," Kuwitzky said.

Kuwitzky said younger players will be a good addition to the team.

"We've got some really good young ones coming up too," Kuwitzky said. "We've got a really good group of underclassmen."

Last season, the 'Hounds finished with a record of 20-8 and they placed second in the Midland Empire Conference, behind Chillicothe. In addition, the team claimed victories at the Nodaway County Tournament and the Savannah Tournament.

"Last year was a really, really good season for us," Kuwitzky said. "We'd like to build off of that. I was really proud we got that far in the district, and we were able to challenge (Chillicothe)."

Kuwitzky said the team also benefited from wins over some of the tougher teams in the district such as Benton and Red Oak, Iowa.

"We just had some really big wins against some real quality teams last year," Kuwitzky said. "Winning 20 games in high school is really hard. Many people don't realize how hard it is to be a 20-game winner, but this group did it last year and I was very, very proud of them."

The season will tip off at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday at Trenton.



Jennifer Meyer/Photography Director

Several members of the wrestling team polished their techniques at practice Wednesday. The squad will begin its season Dec. 4 against Maysville.

Wrestlers expect pins

by Mark Hornickel
Chief Reporter

Nine state qualifiers will return to the Maryville wrestling team as it attempts to duplicate last season's success.

"I'd have to say our expectations are pretty high for the most part," head coach Joe Drake said.

The 'Hounds will field an experienced team which includes several wrestlers in the middle-weight classes with State tournament experience.

"That is definitely going to help us," Drake said. "Our concerns are our top three weight classes — if we're going to be able to fill them at all. If we do fill them, it's probably going to be with first-year wrestlers."

Drake said the team's main goals are to improve upon last year's dual meet record of 7-1-1, repeat as Midland Empire Conference champions and make a good showing at the State tournament.

Several State qualifiers will form the team's nucleus for this season, Drake said. Senior Mark Anderson, who finished sixth in the State tournament last year, will lead a list of returning State qualifiers that includes seniors Jeremy Tobin, Jeremy Lliteras, Ryan Castillo and sophomore Jeremy Bradshaw.

The 'Hounds' conference will include three new teams, Cameron, Platte County and Smithville, who have joined the MEC.

"All three have excellent wrestling programs," Drake said. "So that will change our dual schedule a little bit because of the fact that we have three new schools that weren't there last year."

The 'Hounds' season will begin at 7 p.m. Dec. 4 at home against the Maysville High School Wolverines.

Wrestling schedule

Dec. 4 - Maysville
Dec. 11 - Cameron, South Harrison
Dec. 13 - Lexington Tournament
Dec. 20 - Trenton Tournament
Jan. 6 - Benton
Jan. 10 - Shawnee Mission Tournament
Jan. 13 - Chillicothe
Jan. 15 - Rock Port
Jan. 20 - Smithville
Jan. 22 - Platte County
Jan. 24 - Nebraska City Tournament
Jan. 27 - St. Plus X
Jan. 29 - Lafayette
Jan. 31 - Maryville Tournament
Feb. 3 - Savannah
Feb. 7 - District
Feb. 14 - Sectional
Feb. 19-21 - State

Bold matches denote home games played at the Maryville High School gymnasium.

Boys' schedule

Nov. 25 - Trenton
Dec. 2 - Shenandoah, Iowa
Dec. 5 - Savannah
Dec. 9 - Clarinda, Iowa
Dec. 10 - LeBlond
Dec. 15-20 - Nodaway County Tournament
Dec. 26-30 - William Jewell Tournament
Jan. 6 - Benton
Jan. 9 - Cameron
Jan. 12-17 - Savannah Tournament
Jan. 20 - South Harrison

Jan. 23 - Chillicothe
Jan. 30 - Falls City, Neb.
Feb. 3 - Savannah
Feb. 5 - Benton
Feb. 9 - Chillicothe
Feb. 13 - Smithville
Feb. 16 - Platte County
Feb. 19 - Lafayette
Feb. 23-28 District
March 13-14 - State

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Girls' basketball players ready to take the hardwood by storm

by Burton Taylor
Missourian Staff

It has been almost 10 years since the Maryville girls' basketball team won the Midland Empire Conference Tournament — it has a flag posted in the gymnasium to prove it. But this year head coach Jeff Martin wants to add to the display.

The team is in its final weeks of conditioning and working on both its offensive and defensive skills.

In practice, players run through a lot of different drills. They scrimmage, work on passing, dribbling and screening techniques.

In his third year of coaching the Spoofhounds, Martin believes the team is better than it has been in past seasons.

"We still have a little ways to go," Martin said. "But we have a lot of talented individuals, and I think that we could be pretty good."

Returning junior Megan McLaughlin said the team has improved and could make something happen this year.

With 44 players, Martin emphasizes the importance of teamwork and communication during games and practices.

"Coach Martin can be pretty hard on us, but it does us a lot of good," junior Shea O'Riley said.

Martin likes to use man-to-man defensive tactics and thinks it will work well for the team.

"Man-to-man defense is something that I have always believed in," Martin said. "It is something that I grew up with. It puts more responsibility on the shoulders of the players, and it is harder work, but it's worth it."

Martin said the team is working really hard, but the players' attitudes remain positive. He believes it is one of the biggest things they have going for them.

"They are always enthusiastic," Martin said. "That is going to carry the team a long way this year."

The Spoofhounds' first game will be at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday in Trenton when the team battles the Trenton Bulldogs.

Girls' schedule

Nov. 25 - Trenton
Dec. 2 - Savannah
Dec. 5 - Benton
Dec. 9 - Lafayette
Dec. 13 - Clarinda, Iowa
Dec. 15-20 - Nodaway County Tournament
Dec. 26-30 - LeBlond Tournament
Jan. 6 - Savannah
Jan. 8 - Cameron
Jan. 12-17 - Savannah Tournament
Jan. 20 - South Harrison
Jan. 23 - Chillicothe
Jan. 27 - LeBlond
Feb. 2 - Savannah
Feb. 6 - Benton
Feb. 10 - Chillicothe
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Head coach Chad Holmes talks to his team by the side of the swimming pool at the Aquatic Center during practice for the Polar Bears swim team.

Holmes said he tries to give the children as much individual attention and encouragement as he can.

Splish, Splash... Polar Bears swim club allows children to dive into competition

by **Mark Hornickel**
Chief Reporter

Most children are full of energy and turning that energy into accomplishments is not an easy task.

The Northwest United States Swimming Team has a roster of 24 members. The team, also known as the Polar Bears, targets ages 6-18, but the oldest member is 12.

The Polar Bears practice from 4-6 p.m. each Monday, Wednesday and Thursday night at the Aquatic Center at Northwest. Head coach Chad Holmes is a sophomore at Northwest and is surprised by the energy the children have.

"Usually, you'd expect little kids not even to be swimming a mile or half of a mile, but these kids are swimming about four to five miles in a practice," Holmes said. "They totally love it, too."

The swimmers start practice by swimming 1,000 yards freestyle just to warm up. Then, they swim about one to two miles of sprints.

Holmes makes sure to keep their attention throughout the practice.

"I make sure, since it's such a small team, that I give individual attention to each swimmer, because that's what they need," Holmes said. "They need to learn how to become competitors, and I'm here to teach them that."

Holmes said he has seen a lot of improvements, and he has been very impressed with many individual performances.

"Traci Harr dropped her time by about five or six seconds on her butterfly, and I didn't expect her to do that at all," Holmes said. "Jessica

Baker had never swam in a meet before and she did awesome — better than I ever expected. Megan Weiss dropped like 20 seconds off of her 200-meter freestyle time. You just don't see that. I would never expect those things to happen."

The Polar Bears have been practicing since Sept. 1, and they have already competed at three meets this season.

For the first meet of the season, the team competed at Kansas State University in Manhattan, Kan. Tom Jaeger, former Olympic swimmer, was in attendance, and he worked with the swimmers.

"It was really neat for the kids to work with an actual Olympian," Holmes said. "He talked to them, and they were able to learn about his experiences."

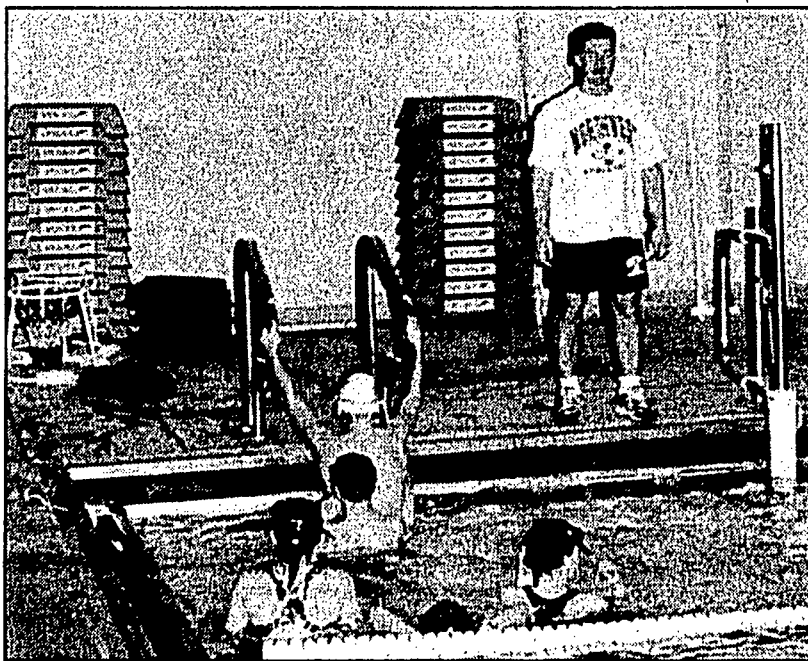
The Polar Bears normally compete in five or six meets a semester, which requires a lot of preparation.

"I tell them to listen to music when they are swimming and just prepare for the meet the night before," Holmes said. "They are just kids right now. Sometimes they don't really know what the competition thing is yet. So, I have to understand that part of it."

The swimmers enjoy the chance to compete.

"I like going to the meets because there are lots of people there," said Michelle Fink, 11. "It's fun to compete against other people, and you have to practice hard or else you can't compete."

Swimmers have the opportunity to qualify for two levels of competition. Last season, everyone qualified for Division II competition.



Head coach Chad Holmes keeps a watchful eye on the members of his swim team during practice last week.

"They passed way over my expectations," Holmes said. "Now, their goal is to qualify for Division I. They are on a path I would have never expected."

The team also benefits from assistant coaches Andrea Giesken and Polly Carter, and help from the parents.

"I'm an elementary education major and I love being around kids," Giesken said. "I enjoy how the kids look up to you. How they look to you as a role model and you are their mentor. I like to see the kids succeed."

Parents participate at many of the

practices and meets, and they believe it is a good program.

"I think it's a great program," parent Christina Heintz said. "I think it's good that they are able to exercise this way and work as a team. It keeps them occupied and it gives them something to think about when they are swimming back and forth."

Many of the swimmers have been swimming competitively since they were young, but some are new at it.

"It's really exciting to see these little kids competing and starting as early as they do," Giesken said. "It's neat to see them accomplish things at such a young age."

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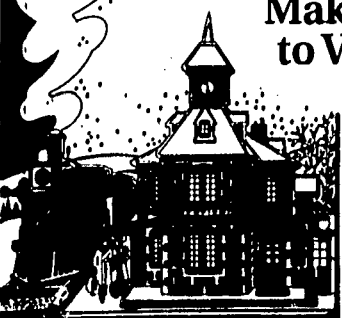


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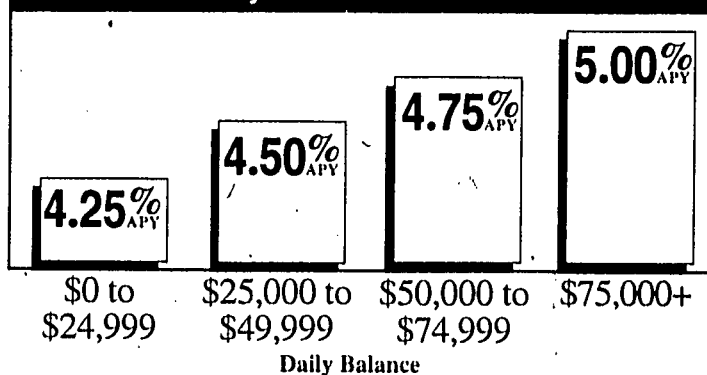
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Dean and Lois Ward are one of the few couples in Maryville who are happily married after 60 years. They were high school sweethearts and married in May of 1938.



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Keeping a marriage 'all sunshine and roses' for 60 years isn't easy, but two Maryville couples have lasted through the good and bad times

To Have & To Hold

by Stacy Young

In an age when divorce is a common occurrence, there are couples in Maryville who, after 60 years of marriage, have kept their promise to love, honor and cherish each other forever.

Les and Corky Reaksecker have endured the trials of marriage and will celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary next June. The couple met in an educational psychology class at Northwest, which was Northwest Missouri State Teacher's College at the time.

"I think we've been using what we learned in that class on each other through the years," Corky said, chuckling.

The Reakseckers have two children, five grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

"It was good to see all of our children grow up to be so successful," Les said.

Until their children were ready to leave for college, Corky worked at home. She later received her real estate license and entered the work-force.

"She was the second woman in Nodaway County to receive her license," Les said with a proud smile.

It's the little things that make their marriage special. At one time, Les worked for an insurance agency and Corky

worked for a dress shop that were across the street from each other. They made it a ritual every afternoon to meet for lunch.

Besides raising a family together, the Reakseckers share many common interests. They both like antiques, and they love to travel. They have been to every state except Alaska and across every province of Canada. They have also been on trips to Europe and Mexico.

The couple has been through some rough times, but they have learned to work with each other.

"It hasn't all been sunshine and roses," Corky said. "We do have our differences. When we need to be alone, he goes to his workshop, and I go to my backyard. He always tells me that I have everything that Earl May has sold back there."

"She does," Les added matter-of-factly. The Reakseckers are community-oriented people. They take on many projects together and complete them with pride.

"When we retired, Corky said we were going to need something to keep us busy," Les said.

Corky added, "So we helped to restore flower beds and old statues around the town. We never expected anything out of it but we were invited to a Chamber of Commerce dinner and awarded a good citizenship plaque."

Another project they do together every Friday is taking church bulletins to rest homes for people who cannot get out to attend services.

"We really enjoy doing this," Corky said. "Every Wednesday and Sunday our church service is broadcasted on the radio. This gives those people a chance to at least follow along with it."

The Reakseckers' advice for young couples starting out is not to expect the other person to be perfect. They have to deal with the problems that arise.

"Sometimes when young people get married, they expect to pick up where they left off in their home life," Corky said. "They have to try and work things out; realizing that everyone has problems. You need to trust each other, and don't be afraid to give each other some space."

Another couple in Maryville with a long-standing marriage is Dean and Lois Ward. They will be celebrating their 60th anniversary in May, but they have known each other much longer.

Dean finished high school in Skidmore where he met Lois. They were students of the graduating class of 1931.

Dean and Lois dated for seven years during the Depression before they were married.

"We had to wait until we could find a job to live on," Dean said.



Jen Nervig/Staff Photographer

Dean and Lois Ward hold hands as they reminisce about their 60 years together. The couple dated during the Depression and married seven years

after they met. They graduated from high school together in 1931 in Skidmore and both attended Northwest. Today they reside in Maryville.

After graduating from high school, Dean went to the University of Kansas and studied engineering. Within two years, he received a job at the Kansas City Power and Light Company.

"I thought, here I am a lucky guy," Dean said. "I graduated from college, and I'm working for a great company, making good money so early in our marriage."

The couple has many memories together and are constantly making new ones. Some of their favorite memories were of their first years together.

"Lois came to Kansas City one Friday night at about quitting time, and with my first paycheck we were going to have a nice party," Dean said. "We were walking down the street, and I took her window shopping. We stopped and I showed her the KCPL building. I'll never forget that night. I felt like it was a great achievement. I hope Lois remembers that night too."

Lois sat in her chair and nodded her head as if she was playing that night back through her mind.

The Wards have learned from experience that a lot of work is involved in keeping a marriage going strong.

"Part of what has kept us together is being very serious about our vows," Lois said. "We were brought up that way. It's our moral fiber. You have to remember that a promise is a promise. It was our job to make this work."

The Wards believe marriage is a sacred union. Their attitude toward making it is teamwork.

"Some people just don't see it as a unified project," Dean said. "It's a cooperative thing in a sense, and you can't make it work without a unified effort. It's like people don't consider marriage as a permanent thing."

"Where else can you find a housemate cheaper than this pretty little girl?" Dean finished while looking affectionately at his wife.

Each marriage has a different secret for its success. For the Wards, their religion is a strong bonding factor.

"I think faith and faithfulness are very important in each other and in our religion," Lois said. "Forgiveness is also important. Everyone has to ask for forgiveness, and we have both been good at that."

In their relationship, they do have their share of arguments, but throughout the years, divorce has never been an option.

"We couldn't afford a divorce," Lois said with a giggle and a warm smile toward her husband.

"Yeah, they are kind of expensive," Dean returned with a laugh. "We just kept trying to solve our problems and kept making a living."

The Wards' sense of humor, along with their hard work has contributed to the success of their 60 years together.

"Marriage is just like anything else, you have to work on it, but it is rewarding. Isn't it honey?" Lois asked.

"Oh yes it is," Dean agreed.



Photo courtesy of the Reakseckers

ABOVE: Les and Corky Reaksecker. RIGHT: The Reakseckers, who met in a psychology class at Northwest, will celebrate their 60th anniversary in June.



Photo courtesy of the Reakseckers

Tips to remember for a successful marriage

1. Try to maintain an upbeat attitude throughout the marriage.
2. Work through your differences in a calm manner and avoid raising your voices.
3. Give each other space when needed. Married people still need personal time.
4. Try not to be selfish. Do things for each other.
5. Work through a problem until it is solved so it will not continue to arise.
6. Be patient and don't make material things top priority. It could take awhile to become stable.
7. Trust and support one another at all times.
8. Keep the romance alive by spending quality time together.
9. Begin your own traditions that can be unique to your family.

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about purchasing more student art. They encourage everyone, especially Northwest administrators, staff, and faculty, to help support the artists of this school! Dave's personal feelings about last year are that the items sold were at too LOW of a price. Great artwork is not cheap, and the buyers must realize this. They look forward to seeing even better pieces this year!

Dave's quote of the week:

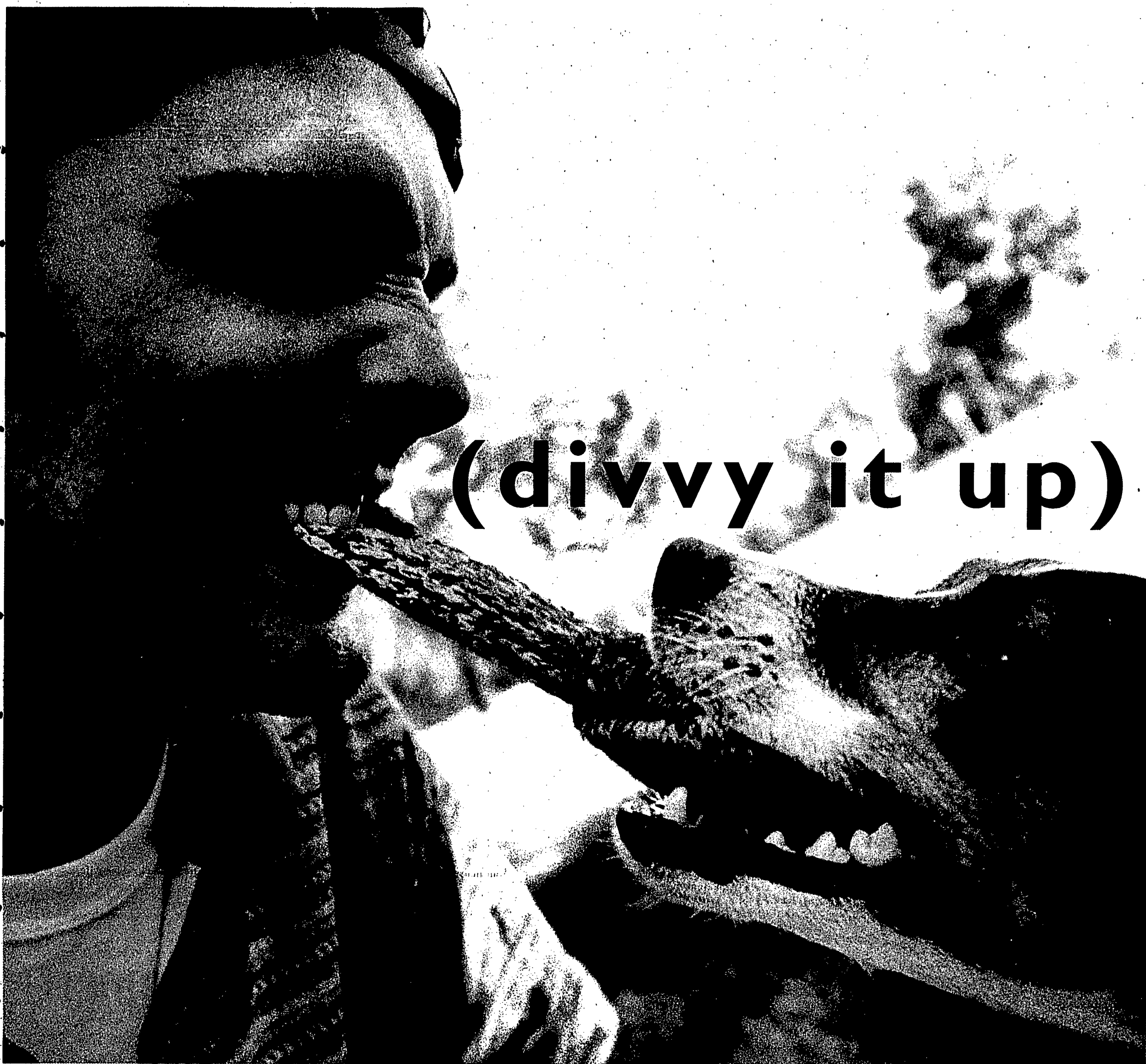
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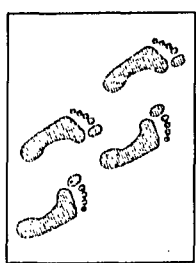
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It's that time of year again. The season is changing, the leaves are falling and so are the student's attitudes. Warm weather and the beginning of a new semester brings positive attitudes and a strong sense of motivation. With every rebirth comes an agony of death. They were once positive people who turned into petty complainers and excessive procrastinators. People need to take control of the situations instead of letting the situation take control of them.

One of the biggest complaints I've been hearing is that the Spoofhounds aren't going to State, despite their almost impeccable record. They had a great year, and I commend them. But there isn't any use complaining about it.

Why not turn this negative into something positive? — like changing the playoff system so this doesn't happen again. Sitting around and complaining about it is counter-productive. Unite with other schools in the division and change the system instead of complaining and complaining.

Day in and day out, Northwest students grumble about the trial and tribulations of being a college student. They complain about group projects, speeches, presentations, tests and papers like no one else has the same hardships. Guess what folks, we're all in the same boat.

I also heard someone sniveling about one of their teachers who never cancels class. Isn't it funny that a college education is the only thing that we pay for and don't care if we get it or not. Imagine paying for a \$25,000 car and only telling people you have it.

Even though there are people who don't know where their next meal is coming from, college students continue to complain about our seemingly grim existence. Here's my suggestion if you are fed up with the 'Ville and need an escape. Take a road trip to another university and maybe you will begin to appreciate life at Northwest.

Here are some of my observations about the differences in our school and about 10 other schools I have visited.

• Guy to girl ratio at Northwest is about equal. Some schools are horribly lopsided, but at Northwest everyone has an equal

chance — to get a date that is. Need a reference guys? Visit the University of Missouri-Rolla or Iowa State University.

• People complain about paying \$25 for a lab book they can charge to their parents. I knew a student who had to take out a separate \$800 loan for books.

• People still have strong convictions about drugs, even the ones who often do them at Northwest, people keep it out of the public, respecting those who don't do it. I've been to many other schools where I've seen people doing drugs at the bars or at fraternity houses.

• Northwest computer ratio — one computer to every 2.5 students. Other schools have one computer to every 50 students. Try Thompson-Ringold next time you can't find a computer.

• Parking — I parked farther from my high school than I do now. Try getting a spot closer than a mile at schools like University of Missouri or University Nebraska-Lincoln.

• Crime — when was the last time you heard of a murder that is school related? Probably never. There was a stabbing death at Iowa State University last year during what is supposed to be a party (VEISHA).

• Maryville has some crazy people, but there are not many homeless people. I've been to some schools where the homeless are abundant, and college students actually enjoy buying them alcohol because they think it's funny.

• The law enforcement is not that bad. If you've ever been busted in Nebraska, you'd know what I mean. If they even see that you look like you might fight, you'll be in jail.

• Finally, believe it not, we have a great social scene and a friendly atmosphere. I've never had a visitor say they had a bad time in Maryville. It goes to show you that size doesn't matter.

Yes, I do see irony about Your Man complaining about other people complaining. If you think your problems are serious enough, call the counseling center at 562-1220. And if they aren't serious, don't call me.

The Stroller has been a tradition at Northwest since 1918 and does not reflect the views of the *Missourian*.

Weekly Crossword

ACROSS

1. Italian tower town
5. Uses the microwave
10. Hanker
14. Military branch
15. Nobel economist
16. Foli's kin
17. Spat
18. Fall preceder?
19. Scripture passage
20. Minaret

22. Takes away
24. Like many dormitories
25. Select
26. On the house
29. Expert fliers
31. Rancid
34. Leslie Caron role
35. Granada man
37. Infantry
38. Miscellany
39. Explosive trio
40. Toyland visitor
41. Frijol
42. Reason

44. CBER's word
45. Sullivan and Flanders
46. Run of good luck, to Nathan Detroit
47. Rising stars
49. Vetoing vote
50. Asian cuisine
51. Dusseldorf's neighbor
55. Stinging insects
59. Gray matter (abbr.)
60. Bordon symbol
62. Author Waugh
63. Reviewer Siskel

64. Alberto Tomba, e.g.
65. One of the Sinatra girls
66. Baseball stats
67. Medieval, slaves
68. Levant

DOWN

1. Positions
2. "True What They Say About Dixie?" (2 words)
3. Unthreatened
4. Hugs and kisses, e.g.
5. Unlucky
6. Made a mistake
7. Paul Newman in *Exodus*
8. Mrs. Lincoln's maiden name
9. More complaisant
10. Relax
11. Oil cartel acronym
12. Bank teller's call
13. Obtains (abbr.)
21. Hawaiian food
23. The (Ger.)

Answers to last issue's puzzle

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RULE BRIE ADELA
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SPRY KEG RASH
CLOP RAIL
INHALED BREADS
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SNOOD SWELL LAM
TENURE SEMITES
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BACH TED ALLE
ACHES WASH CLOTH
SMART ELEE EGOS
HENNA DICE RENT

26. It may make the world go 'round
27. Irritated
28. Anonym
29. Abolish
30. Portable beds
31. Audacious
32. Brittle fossil resin
33. Cloth workers
36. Catchall (abbr.)
37. Loathe
42. Modesty
43. Parroters
46. Old cloth
48. Crewman's item
49. Memos
50. Dick Turpin, e.g.
51. Parakeet's pad
52. Remarkable thing
53. Cinema's Turner
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The Northwest Missourian will not publish an issue next week because of Thanksgiving break. Sorry for the inconvenience. We will return Thursday, Dec. 4.

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Trying out trimesters

The Board of Regents made decisions at Tuesday's meeting regarding construction projects and calendar dates that will affect the campus for years to come. Here is a wrapup of some of the Board's decisions.

New University calendar

The University calendar will see dramatic changes because of the implementation of an extended summer schedule. Starting in the fall of 1998, the fall and spring terms will be shortened to 15 weeks, and the break between terms will also be shortened. Starting in the summer of 1999, the extended summer schedule will be in effect. See page 3 for more on this development.

The dates represent the beginning of planning and development to the date grades are due to the Registrar:

Fall 1998:	Fall 1999:
Aug. 19 - Dec. 14	Aug. 18 - Dec. 13
Spring 1998:	Spring 2000:
Jan. 5 - May 3	Jan. 4 - May 1
Summer 1999:	Summer 2000:
May 10 - July 30	May 8 - Aug. 15

Relocations and hall changes

Because of renovations to the Student Union and some residence halls, many campus offices will be relocated while major changes will take place in some residence halls.

Summer 1998

- South Complex will be off-line until August 1999
- Student Union construction begins
- Student Affairs, Campus Activities, Residential Life, I.D., Campus Dining and student organization offices will move to Thompson-Ringold Hall for about two years

August 1998

- Hudson Hall becomes coed by floor to accommodate the closing of South Complex, a coed residence hall
- Perrin Hall will be reopened as an all-female residence hall
- First floor of Douglas Hall will be reopened

Colleen Cooke/Editorial Assistant

University shapes future

Board of Regents passes 1998-'99 trimester calendar after months of consideration

by Jacob DiPietre

University News Editor

After many months of lobbying, conducting surveys and countless pages of research and studies, the University Board of Regents approved a trial trimester calendar at its meeting Tuesday.

The enhanced summer schedule, which will take effect in the summer of 1999, will offer students more options for classes. In the summer of '99, the three four-week sessions will start May 10 and end July 30. Then the full 15-week trimester for the summer of 2000 will start May 8 and end August 15.

However, the enhanced summer schedule, which will be evaluated at the end of each year, was not approved by all Board members. Regent member, Chip Strong who represented the one vote against the trimester calendar, was not sure the University

would serve the students by implementing an enhanced summer schedule.

"My biggest concern is that we don't have enough information to know where we are going with this," Strong said. "Some 10 years ago, the president went out on a limb and recommended lengthening the semesters. I have a problem with going back and shortening the semester."

Strong is not the only one with concerns. Richard Fulton, professor of political science, said he can see how an enhanced summer schedule would help, but he believes the University should proceed with caution.

"I think if it is done wisely, it is a good opportunity, but I am concerned we will build too much out of it too fast," Fulton said. "Such as moving ahead in programs without faculty planning. I'm not sure (the Board) knows what to expect out of this program."

One of the big supporters of an enhanced summer schedule is University President Dean Hubbard. He said there are a lot of misconceptions about a trimester calendar and thinks the enhanced summer schedule will not hurt, even if it does not work.

"I don't think the roof will fall in," Hubbard said. "I think life will go on, students will learn; teachers will teach; this institution will continue to develop — that's my view. I don't think it will be dramatic one way or the other."

While Hubbard thinks there will not be a big impact on campus, some students still don't know what an enhanced summer schedule is.

Annelle Weymuth, executive assistant to the president, handed out a survey to all students during fall verification. Of the 2,373 returned surveys, 74 percent of upperclassmen said they either had no opinion or didn't want an enhanced summer schedule.

This is another reason Strong was unsure about proceeding with trimesters.

"Twenty percent of our students graduate in four years," Strong said. "So the marketplace has dictated that most students don't want to get out quicker."

Strong believes there are some good points regarding summer schedule. However, he said it all depends on how the University advertises the new calendar.

Renovations pass, set to start next fall

by Stephanie Zellstra

Assistant News Editor

After the applause was over, a collective sigh of relief could be heard from the people who put in long hours and hard work on their project — the student's project.

The Board of Regents passed the proposed Student Union/residence halls renovation plan at its meeting Tuesday. The goal of the renovations is to make the Student Union appeal to students in a more relaxed atmosphere.

"I absolutely love the plans," said Jeff Lukens, student representative and Residence Hall Association president. "What they're trying to do will make it more of a Student Union, not just a cafeteria where you go to eat."

Many interested parties were present as the fate of the Union and residence halls was decided unanimously.

"The next part will be to draw up more detailed construction documents so that everyone will be able to see them," said Becky Mullins of Gould Evans Goodman Associates, the architectural firm in charge of the project.

During the hall renovations, relocations and alternative accommodations are also being planned. South Complex will be unable to be used from May 1998 to August 1999. Because of this, Hudson Hall will become coed by floor in August 1998.

Perrin Hall will also open in August 1998 as an all-female hall. The first floor of Douglas Hall will reopen in August 1998.

The Union has been given the most consideration in how to handle the relocation of several campus dining services.

Campus dining renovation plans will be conducted in two phases. The first phase will include construction to the south side of the building. During this time, the Spanish Den and 'Cats Commons will not be accessible. Instead, the meeting rooms in the upper levels will be turned into dining space.

“What they're trying to do will make it more of a Student Union, not just a cafeteria where you go to eat.”

■ Jeff Lukens, Residence Hall Association president

Because there will be a need for space, dining areas will also be offered in other areas on campus. Some of preliminary plans include having an eating area in 103 Garrett-Strong where hot food would be served. There is currently a bakery and extra storage space in the basement of the Conference Center. They plan to offer Italian food, including Itza Pizza. The Administration Building will also supply dining space. The former mail room is going to offer cold food such as sandwiches and salads.

"It won't be the most convenient, obviously," Courter said. "But once we get the design board up and on display for people to see, I think that kind of enthusiasm will grow."

All these relocations come at a price — an estimated \$25 million, which students will have to pay. Tuition is projected to increase steadily over the next four years because of the cost of renovations. Currently in-state students pay \$84.50 per credit hour. Next year's cost will go up to \$90.75. Out-of-state students pay \$147.75 per credit hour and will pay \$157.75 next fall.



NO LOOKIN' BACK NOW

Senior B-back Kraig Evans leaves the field of play during Saturday's 44-38 win over Emporia State. Evans racked up 359 rushing yards during the regular season and hopes to be a part of the Bearcats' offensive juggernaut throughout the playoffs. The first round of the NCAA Division II playoffs begin at noon Saturday when the 'Cats play host to the Bison of North Dakota State.

Jennifer Meyer/Photography Director

Refer to pages 6-8 for more Bearcat football.

Missouri recognizes local educator

Teacher receives honor for contributions to journalism program

by Nicole Fuller

Assignment Director

She was a pioneer for developing scholastic journalism throughout Missouri and established guidelines for journalism teachers throughout the state. It has been her dedication to teaching and journalism that has taken her to the top.

Opal Eckert was one of seven people inducted into the first Missouri Interscholastic Press Association Hall of Fame last Saturday at the Journalism Education Association convention in St. Louis.

Bill Hankins, Oak Park High School journalism adviser nominated Eckert for the honor. "It is a way of recognizing her for her early contributions to the Missouri school of journalism," Hankins said. "She is amazingly vital and a role

model in not only journalism but in education."

Hankins said Eckert is an outstanding woman who at the age of 92 is still active in the community. She plays an important role in Maryville.

Eckert was awarded the William Taft Award in 1997. She won the national journalism teacher of the year in 1963. She is one of the first leaders in Missouri Scholastic Journalism and also one of the first national teachers of the year.

Eckert still encourages students to take as many journalism classes as they can. She said she was "wished" into journalism and has not stopped loving it since.

"A group of students asked me to sign a petition so they could get a journalism course," Eckert said. "And not thinking I would be teaching it, I signed to support. Then in the summer, I found out that I was teaching the class. I never thought I would get so interested."



Erica Smith/Advertising Director

Bill Hankins presents Opal Eckert with the Hall of Fame Induction Award last Saturday at the JEA convention in St. Louis.

Speaker enlightens audience

Banquet pays tribute to field of farming

by Nicole Fuller

Assignment Director

When the estimated 300 people left the 37th Annual Nodaway County Farm-City Banquet Monday they were certified O.P.O. — Official Post Observers — fence posts, that is.

Joe Jeffrey, the evening speaker and fence post connoisseur, talked about the different types of fence posts he has encountered.

He is known as the "Post Toaster," and Jeffrey travels around the country giving presentations about the history of those apparently mundane "things" that hold up "bobwire," — fence posts. He also gives presentations on outhouses and food.

Jeffrey said he has been in 24 states and Canada three times and performs about 100 shows a year.

"I started this in about 1970-71," Jeffrey said. "It slowly developed into what it is today. I do this strictly for entertainment."

Duane Jewell, chairman of the chamber agriculture committee, saw Jeffreys perform before, said Judy Brohammer, Maryville Chamber of Commerce director.

"He has a speaking circuit, and Dr. Jewell has seen him perform so we invited him to be our guest speaker for this year's banquet," Brohammer said.

While Jeffrey provided entertainment for the evening, the main purpose of the banquet was to honor people in



Nicole Fuller/Assignment Director

Judy Brohammer presents the Farm Family of the Year Award to the Raymond Wilmes family at the 37th Annual Farm-City Banquet Monday night.

the field of farming.

The banquet, sponsored by the Maryville Chamber of Commerce, recognizes individuals in the farming community by distributing several different awards.

The farm family of the year was awarded to the Raymond Wilmes family for their outstanding excellence and strong contributions through farming, conservation

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Our View

OF THE UNIVERSITY

Be Santa Claus for children with Angel Tree program

To hear Bryan Vanosdale, director of campus activities, talk about the Angel Tree project is to understand the true meaning of Christmas.

When Vanosdale was at Tennessee Tech University before coming to Northwest, his campus took part in a program that encouraged faculty and students to buy Christmas gifts for needy children in that area.

With the help of local agencies, students could pick up a form — printed in the shape of an angel — that told what the children wanted for Christmas.

Unlike most children's Christmas lists, these lists often included requests for socks and underwear, or even a simple coloring book.

With a hint of tears in his eyes, Vanosdale told a story of when he delivered a bunch of these gifts to a group of children in Tennessee. A 6-year-old girl came up and tugged him on the pant leg and said, "Mister, are you Santa Claus?"

Vanosdale stood silently for a moment before responding, "No, honey, I'm not Santa Claus." He then handed the bag to one of the people helping distribute gifts and quickly walked outside. He stood by a pickup truck and sobbed.

Now at Northwest, Vanosdale, along with Julie Norlen, vice president of Panhellenic Council, and Evan Polly, vice president of Interfraternity Council, is helping bring that tremen-

dous spirit of giving with the first Angel Tree event.

Starting tonight at 6 p.m. with a tree-lighting ceremony, the event offers the opportunity for students and faculty to make a real difference in the life of one real child.

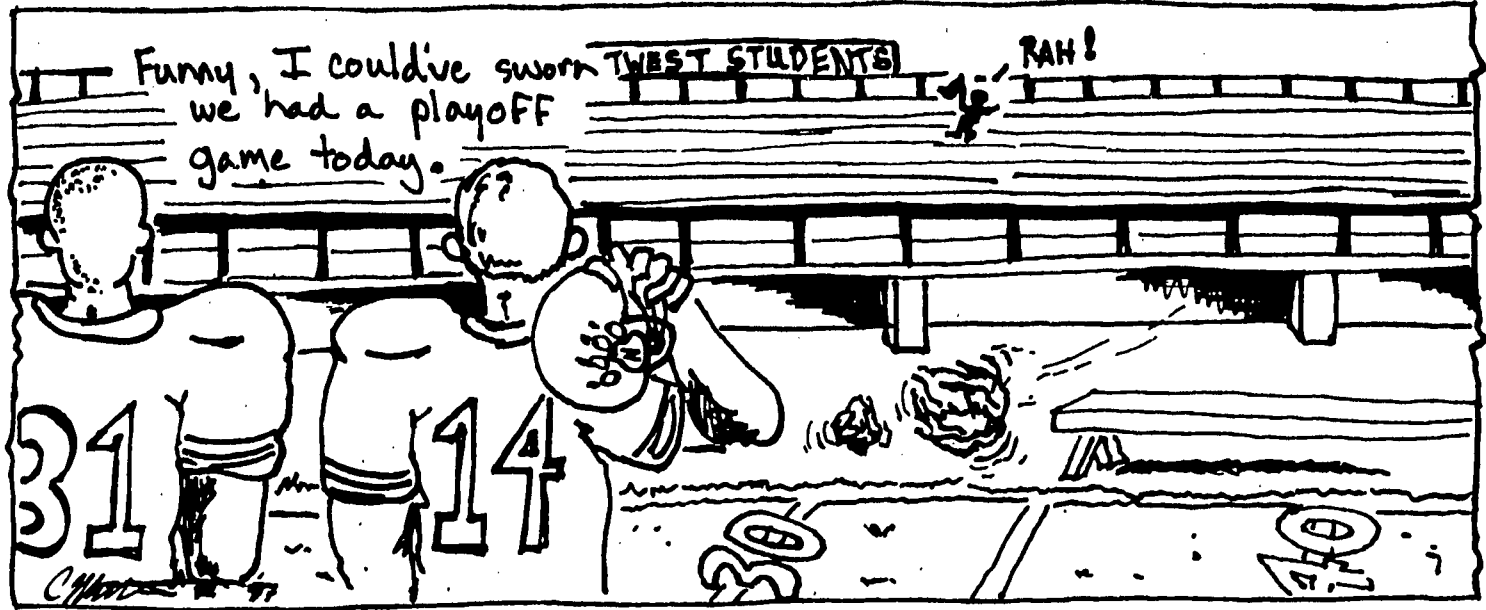
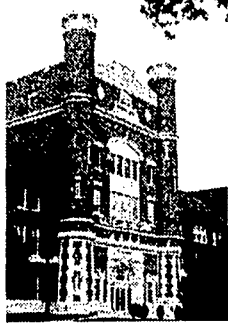
It's a simple enough request: Pick up an angel (or more if you can) and fulfill a child's wish for Christmas gifts. You can pick up angels tonight until Dec. 5. The gifts must be turned in by Dec. 12.

Along with Panhellenic Council and IFC, the Community Service Agency of Nodaway County is working with the Angel Tree program to provide the names of children who could use assistance.

All too often Christmas turns into a "me" holiday for most people. We make our wish lists filled with dreams of high-priced items and things we don't need.

What we truly need during this season is to explore the benefits of giving, and the Angel Tree is a perfect opportunity to do that. It won't cost that much, but the inner rewards you will reap will keep you warm throughout the year.

Vanosdale might have been wrong that day when he told the little girl that he wasn't Santa Claus — everyone who brings joy to children at Christmas qualifies for that title. It's now up to Northwest to play Santa Claus for Nodaway County children.



University View

Board realizes heart of Northwest



■ Marisa Sanchez

Serving as Regent proves to be positive experience

It all started on Valentine's Day, 1996 in Jefferson City. My two-year gubernatorial appointment to the Northwest Board of Regents, approved by Gov. Mel Carnahan, will be ending Jan. 1, 1998. I offer this article as an acknowledgment to how this experience has greatly enhanced my life.

My chief responsibility as a servant to the Board of Regents is to synthesize the opinion of the 5,000 plus Northwest students and provide an accurate account of what is in the best interest of students.

Short of calling every student personally, the task can be overwhelming. Instead, I have opted to attend Student Senate meetings, Strategic Planning and several "special" committee meetings. In addition to informing and addressing student concerns as faculty and staff have received, I have had many positive words of encourage-

ment and support by the Regents themselves.

I am not sure exactly how other Boards in the state operate, but I'm 100 percent assured that not a single one approaches the "team" effort and "family-type" atmosphere that the Northwest Board of Regents has shown me. For that reason, I regret that my term will soon end.

In March 1996, just one brief month after the hearing, the first issue facing the Board was formally brought to my attention — EC+ (Electronic Campus Plus).

Reflecting on that experience, I can not identify a single member of the Board who did not, at some point or another, ask my personal opinion in regard to the issue. Overwhelming and somewhat intimidating? Yes. But, those feelings were soon put to rest by the reassurance of the same Board members who quite openly

displayed their high regard for what the students feel about the issues.

Several other issues of more immediate concern to Northwest students were presented formally to the Board Tuesday. Again, I was there in the thick of the discussions, and again, the other members displayed their concern for students.

While to the majority of Northwest students, faculty and staff, the Board seems to be a distant governing body, this Board could not be closer in touch with the heart of what is Northwest.

Personally, the members of the Board have been nothing but amicable and sincere since my very first day "on the job," and I am assured that our relationship will continue past my final date of service to this admired Board.

Marisa Sanchez is the student Regent for the Board of Regents.

My Turn

Bearcats continue to strive for national championship



■ Colin McDonough

The shootout is set for high noon Saturday. The Bearcats and the North Dakota State University Bison will go at it in the NCAA Division II playoffs.

I can't believe I just said those words.

If I had said those words four years ago, I would have been laughed at by every person on this campus.

Covering the Bearcats was my first assignment for the *Missourian*, and I was definitely nervous.

I was just really excited to actually be writing about a collegiate football team.

Little did I know, but the Bearcats were one of Division II's worst football teams in 1994.

When the Bearcats opened their season with a 49-7 loss to Mankato State University — it finally hit me.

I came to the realization that maybe they were the "Bad News Bearcats."

But I couldn't judge a team by one game. The next week the squad traveled to East Texas State and were steamrolled again.

This continued throughout the '94 campaign and into the '95 season as well. The Bearcats never had a chance to notch a 'W.'

The losing streak rolled into my

sophomore year before it came to a surprising halt at the hands of the Southwest Baptist Bearcats.

Head coach, Mel Tjeerdsma and his coaching staff were building a machine to be reckoned with, but who could tell after only one win?

Ever since that win, the Bearcats have compiled a superlative record of 28-8, including two MIAA championships.

After four years and a complete overhaul of attitudes, this squad will try and conquer its next goal of reaching and claiming the national championship.

I have never doubted the Bearcats in all my years at Northwest.

There is no doubt in my mind that before leaving this University, Tjeerdsma will lead the team to a national championship trophy.

The crowd and school spirit has increased over the years. Whenever I said anything in the press box in the lean years, the coaches on the other side of the field could hear me.

With this newfound success, the crowds have grown in size and decibels. Now when I come to the stadium, I almost get lost in the shuffle.

It begs me to ask the question: Who let them Bearcats in the house? Who? Who?

I don't know whether it was Tjeerdsma, his staff or his personnel that let them in, but whatever they've done, it has been tremendous.

Colin McDonough is the managing editor for the Northwest Missourian.

My Turn

Hallways don't dissuade desire to teach



■ Colleen Cooke

Encounter with high school students awakens memories of crowds and insecurity, but strengthens vocational calling

I don't miss high school. Not one little bit. The older I get, the more sure I am of this.

The sardine hallways, the inane giggling, the helpless insecurity, the herd mentality, the unavoidable ignorance — good riddance.

And yet, I want to teach high school more than anything else.

Can anyone say contradictory?

This weekend, I attended a national convention of high school journalists. I came face to face with something I spent more than four years away from, and I came away more confident than ever that teaching is my calling.

To prepare myself for teaching high school, I wanted to attend some sessions at this conference, which about 3,900 high school students attended.

Going to a session was simple enough: Arrive before the start time and find a seat. I just didn't anticipate the roadblocks ahead.

Apparently, every student wanted to attend the 10 a.m. Friday session on yearbook design, and I had to wade my way through them.

The escalator deposited me into a sea of similarly dressed people joined in strange conglomerations.

Some formed snake-like lines so they would not lose each other in the chaos. Others joined at the

hips and backpacks and barreled over the crowd. More infuriating ones simply floated aimlessly and stopped in my path to announce "I don't know where I'm going."

Somehow, I needed to maneuver my way through this. These aren't exactly the skills I learned in my methods classes. I get the feeling they should have been.

These kids, however, adapted to high school hallways that seem to be universally congested. They show no mercy for fools who dare step an uncertain foot into their building between classes.

It took 10 minutes to move 25 feet past the escalator. I finally made it to the room for the session. From my vantage point, I could already see seats were scarce, but after standing through the last session, I was determined to sit.

With a muffled gasp, I broke free of the pack. I peeked into the room and saw groups sitting on the floor — not a good sign.

Behind me, I heard an ominous rumble move closer. Two hundred people clad in retro 1970s apparel and denim and armed with convention booklets and Eastpaks came streaming forward. If I didn't move, I would become part of the convoluted pattern of the carpet.

I hid behind a door as the chaos

melted away and the sessions started. On my way to the Northwest booth, I clenched my hands and mumbled impolite thoughts. The consensus at the booth was that I ought to reconsider my vocation if one encounter with students unraveled me so.

But I don't think it was the contact with students that unnerved me. It was the feeling that I warped back to high school, when I had to maneuver those hallways and felt insecurity stab at me.

I'm glad to be out of high school, but I still want to teach. I look forward to taking my place at the front of a classroom, looking out at a bunch of young people with excitement — not anxiety.

The conference sparked a fire of new ideas in me. I've hardly been able to concentrate on my assignments since I got back; all I can think about is how I would set up my classroom and the ideas I'd like to pass on to students.

"My object in living is to unite/ My vocation and my avocation/ As my two eyes unite in sight."

— Robert Frost.

I can't wait to teach. I just don't want to walk down those hallways.

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Letter to the Editor

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President recalls event

Dear Friends,

Mrs. Foster joins me in thanking each of you who had any part in making Homecoming 1997 the enor-

mous success it was.

We especially appreciate the accolades afforded us as Grand Marshals of the parade and the wonderful reception that evening.

We are very proud of Northwest and appreciate being included in its

many activities.

Wishing you a happy holiday season.

Robert P. Foster
President Emeritus

It's Your Turn

Does the Greek system encourage irresponsible drinking? Why or why not?



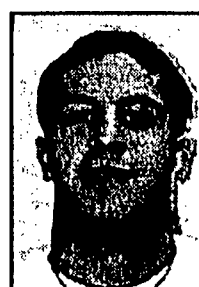
"Yes, because alcohol is readily available."

Gwen Beyer,
child and family
studies major



"No, I think they make drinking optional. They don't force it."

Trina Dunn,
finance major



"Yes, because the parties have alcohol, and many college students don't know how to control their drinking yet."

Jon Goldberg,
physical education
major



"No, because I am not a Greek, and I still drink irresponsibly."

Joe Staal,
undeclared major



"No, because people would still drink just as much even if they weren't Greeks."

B.J. Williams,
pre-law major



"Yes, because people, especially those going through Rush, feel obligated to drink to fit in."

Amanda Muller,
child and family
studies major

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Students have concern with some Senate action

by Mark Hornickel
Chief Reporter

With all of the major decisions being made to campus this week, the voice it affects the most are the students.

The voice of the students is represented by Student Senate. Some students believe their opinions have not been heard regarding the major decision-making process. Although, Senate is forming committees to inform the student body.

One example is the Student Senate open forum last week in the Student Union to discuss its view and answer students' questions concerning the Board of Regents meeting about trimesters Tuesday. Several students said Senate could better inform the students with publicized surveys and more forums.

"The student opinion is not represented at all," art major Angela Steuve said. "What, there was something like this one big meeting and that is supposed to be enough? No surveys or anything? — the students' opinions were not represented at all."

Many students said they received the impression at the forum that the Senate was not concerned with their opinions.

"Student Senate has been a scapegoat for people to criticize, and we're not going to let the forum intimidate us or say that it was a bad experience," said Angel Harris-Lewis Student Senate president. "There were not enough students taking it seriously. We thought we were doing a good job. The Spanish Den is jumping and that was our reason for having it there."

Unknown to some students, senate voted in favor of the proposed trimester calendar, the

increase in tuition and the Union and residence halls renovations.

Some students believe the Senate should seek out the students for their opinions, rather than the students seeking out the Senate for answers.

Harris-Lewis said the open forum was to let other students know where the Senate stood on the present issues.

"I know a lot of students felt that it was senators job to go out and try to get the responses," Harris-Lewis said. "But they have to understand there are 10 times as many students as the senators. If there's a student out there that thinks we need to go to the people, I encourage them to call the Student Senate office and tell us."

Student Senator Michelle Ludwig said the Senate will try additional forums, but the students had an opportunity to share their opinions.

"(The students have) had a chance to voice their opinions all along," Ludwig said. "They can talk to their reps and the reps can relate back to Senate. They can call the Senate office; they can find someone to talk to."

Harris-Lewis believes the Senate's job to present the issues of the University to the students is important. She said the Senate is doing their best to inform students of current issues.

"We'll have these meetings whether they are issues or not," Harris-Lewis said. "It's a way that students can come to us and say, 'Hey, I thought of this while I was in the shower today. Here's what you should do.'"

Senate has an additional way to inform students with a committee called the Student Strategic Planning Council.

Administrators do not supervise the meetings, although they may be called on to address certain questions. Harris said almost 90 percent of the students are not members of Senate.

Bearcat Pride



Jennifer Meyer/Photography Director

Mayor Bridget Brown reads the proclamation that declared Friday "Bearcat Pride Day" and Saturday "Bearcat Football Day" in Maryville. Mayor Brown was joined Wednesday by City Council members Dale Mathes, George English and Jerry Riggs. Also attending were Robert Foster, former University President, Rich Alsop and Bud Williams, University cross country coaches, University President Dean Hubbard, Bobby Bearcat, Mel Tjeerdma, head football coach and Bearcat football captains

Chris Grelsen, Adam Dorrel (standing), Matt Becker and Dante Combs. Mayor Brown encourages everyone to wear their green and white Friday to support the Bearcats' first-round playoff game with North Dakota State University. This is the first time the Bearcats have had a postseason game at Rickenbrode Stadium. The Bison come in with a 9-2 record. Kickoff is scheduled for noon Saturday with a special breakfast at 9 a.m. at the Alumni House.

Fraternity starts house with ground breaking

by Mark Hornickel
Chief Reporter

For the members of the Tau Kappa Epsilon fraternity, their goal of building a new house is coming true.

The fraternity broke ground for its new house last Saturday and plan to begin construction around March 1. Depending on the contractors, the house should be ready early next fall, TKE adviser Russ Northrup said.

"It's a big step for us," TKE president Chris Peasley said. "We've been dreaming about this for a long time, and now our dreams are finally being realized."

The new house, in the 500 block of West Ninth Street, will be all brick and approximately 8,000 square feet. It will be home to 32 men, and the rooms will be in the form of suites — two rooms to one bathroom and two people in a room.

The new house will also feature a full kitchen and eating area, a partial basement, a formal lounge and a chapter room with a fireplace.

The lot is also large enough to accommodate parking and recreational equipment.

"The house will be designed specifically for fraternity living," Peasley said. "It will withstand the pressures of everyday living. It will have a room where we can sit down and hold meetings, and it will be built toward our needs."

The most unique aspect is that it will be the first house built for a fraternity. The current fraternity houses are converted residences, and they are somewhat inadequate for the needs of fraternity living, Northrup said.

Northrup said the location and the nature will set a new precedent for Northwest fraternity houses, and it will help not only the image of TKE but all fraternities.

"The community is tickled to death that we're moving into an industrial area of the community, and it's closer to the University," Northrup said. "Fraternities are in the process of healing themselves after the 70s and 80s. Too often, we hear about hazing and alcohol poisoning. We're working on maintaining the philosophy that fraternities are supposed to create better leaders."

The TKE Board of Trustees has finished preliminary plans and elevation drawings and are working on



Amy Roh/Contributing photographer

TKE president Chris Peasley and vice president Derek Owen take part in the initial formal ground breaking, as the rest of the chapter looked on last Saturday. The fraternity plans to start construction March 1.

giving our construction bids.

The fraternity lost its house to an electrical fire last fall.

However, several pieces of memorabilia were salvaged. They will be displayed in the new house in their own room called the 222 room.

The fire pushed along the plans the fraternity had already started for a new house.

Larry Apple, TKE Board of Trustees member, said a new house was the main goal when the Board reorganized about four years ago.

"The fire was the catalyst for the whole project," Peasley said. "We had been working on this since the 60s and it had kind of been placed on the back burner. After the fire, it put the plan in full motion and spurred it on."

The project was launched in May after the alumni selected a finance committee that includes people from all over the Midwest.

"We want to raise \$200,000, and we think that objective is reasonable," Northrup said.

Faculty share views on trimesters

by Toru Yamauchi
Chief Reporter

The decision by the Board of Regents to approve trimesters produced mixed reactions among faculty, when they found out Tuesday.

Tom Zweifel, Faculty Senate president, said the Board delivered all the points about trimesters well.

However, Zweifel said the Board did not answer the particular issues of the Senate resolution about time on task and compensation.

"The Board of Regents was trying to make a decision one way or the other," Zweifel said. "There wasn't time to develop specific responses. I think these issues will continue to be addressed (by the Board)."

Zweifel said Faculty Senate will discuss the time on task issue, if the instructors can cover the same ma-

terials in a shorter term. Also, the administrators are willing to solve the compensation issue regarding the faculty's salary in the summer.

"We will be compensated during summer school the way we are now," Zweifel said. "But it doesn't address someone (who) teaches full time (in the summer)."

Even though there are unanswered questions, some faculty are supportive about the calendar.

Accounting instructor Dave Hancock said he was opposed to three equal trimesters which was originally proposed. But he believes the modified trimester is acceptable.

Richard Fulton, political science department chairman, said although he is supportive of the Board's decision, the University needs to implement it carefully.

"I support it cautiously and watch exactly what we will do with this,"

Fulton said. "I think there are a lot of opportunities here, as long as we don't try to fool ourselves into thinking that by offering a lot of courses a lot of people come. We have to be careful not to spend a lot of money with very few students."

The changes in the summer will vary in each department. Lee Hageman, art department chairman, said the summer calendar will not have much effect on his department because only few general education courses will continue to be offered.

On the other hand, Hancock said more classes will be offered in the business department.

"I think it will help enrollment over all," Hancock said. "In the past, students are afraid to enroll in summer session, because they're not sure what classes are going to be offered."

Zweifel said faculty should take advantages of the new calendar.

In Brief

Angel tree lighting kicks off season

The Interfraternity and Panhellenic councils are sponsoring the first Angel Tree event which will help needy children in Nodaway County. There will be a tree lighting ceremony at 6 p.m. tonight at the Bell Tower; everyone is encouraged to take an angel from the tree. The angel will give information such as if the child is a boy or girl, favorite colors, clothing sizes and if they have any special requests for presents.

FOX show features Hickory Stick game

The Hickory Stick rivalry between Northwest and Truman State will be on the Fox Sports Network. The segment will be on a show called "NCAA Football — The Slant," which will be aired on channel 37 in Maryville.

The show will consist of football rivalries around the NCAA. The Hickory Stick is one of the longest rivalries in college football. It will air from Dec. 2-6. The schedule of the times has not been released.

University declares 'Quality' holiday

In recognition of the total team effort that the Missouri Quality Award represents, Danny Marsh, president of the Board of Regents, and the President's Cabinet have declared Nov. 26 as a "Culture of Quality" holiday. The hope is that during this day before Thanksgiving everyone will reflect on how much the University appreciates all the effort put into the University.

Senate prepares guide for students

Off-campus representatives for the Northwest Student Senate are publishing an off-campus housing guide. The guide will be distributed at spring verification Jan. 16 and 17.

The guide will include information regarding tenant rights and responsibilities, and also a list of landlord names and phone numbers.

The senators are trying to get every landlord in the guide.

Encore 'succeeds' in filling Mary Linn

by Burton Taylor
Missourian Staff

The sarcastic humor about the life of a businessman filled Mary Linn Performing Art Center Tuesday night.

The musical "How to Succeed in Business Without Really Trying" ended with a standing ovation from the audience.

This comedy musical was entertaining but was a bit misleading to people who were required to attend.

"I didn't originally want to go, but I had to for a class," biology major Michelle Spindle said. "But, I was really impressed and glad that I went."

Musicals from road companies are common at Northwest. For the last five years, the University has played host to about one or two a year.

Charles Schultz, professor of theater arts, believes that it is a good idea to bring these shows to campus because it allows community members and students to Mary Linn.

"The more good shows we have at Mary Linn, the more people will get into the habit of coming to all kinds of shows, including those that we do, and the ones that bring in the road company," Schultz said. "I was so tickled to see the large crowd that we had, and it is one of my favorite musicals."

The musical was based on the book written by Abe Burrows, Jack Weinstock and Willie Gilbert. The play was performed by an acting crew from New York City.

The musical was set in 1961 and took place at The World Wide Wicket Company in New York City. The story is about J. Pierrepont Finch, played by Jason Reiff, who led the cast as an eager window washer looking for success in the business world. He planned to do this with the help of his book "How to Succeed in Business Without Really Trying."

Following the book's instructions, Finch was able to get a job with the Wicket Company, and he eventually moved up the ladder of success without any help, aside from his little hand book and that of his personal admirer Rosemary Pinkington, played by Crystal Kachulis. Finch ends up snagging the chairman of the boards job out from under his nose.



Jennifer Meyer/Photography Director

J. Pierrepont Finch played by Jason Reiff, slings to capacity crowd Tuesday night during the performance of "How to Succeed in Business Without Really Trying." This is the first of three Encore plays that will be presented at Northwest this year.

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Day urges smokers to quit

by Kevin Schultz
Chief Reporter

In an attempt to promote nonsmoking and to get active smokers to kick the habit, the Great American Smokeout will be observed today across the nation and in Maryville.

Smoking is a leading cause among cancer-related deaths over the past decade. Over 100,000 deaths occur each year as a direct result of smoking.

"This is a wonderful day," said Joyce Bottorff, nursing coordinator at Student Health Services. "Smokeout Day takes people who are aware of smoking and helps them help their friends who may be trying to quit."

The purpose is to encourage smokers to think about why they smoke. It also provides a chance for nonsmokers to help others quit.

"We already have a smoke-free environ-

ment," said Tom Adams, Maryville High School activity director. "We just continue to do what we always have and that is consistent with Smokeout Day. We believe in a healthy, holistic lifestyle."

Local schools along with St. Francis Hospital are participating in a variety of activities to heighten awareness.

"We have planned many activities to mark the day," said Twila Henry, community relations director for St. Francis Hospital. "We will have bags of hard candy for those who smoke. Hopefully this will help ease their tension and calm them down."

Also, the hospital cafeteria will be serving a "cold turkey" meal throughout the

day in honor of those trying to quit smoking for good.

"I fully support anything that anyone can do to stop or not start (smoking) in the first place."

■ Suzanne Schmaljohn,
Eugene Field Elementary
School counselor

The day is also catching the attention of the younger generation at Eugene Field Elementary School.

"This day is wonderful," said Suzanne Schmaljohn, Eugene Field Elementary School counselor. "I see so many negatives from it (smoking). I fully support anything that anyone can do to stop or not start (smoking) in the first place. The fact is that we deal with a lot of teens whose parents have

cancer or other smoking-related problems and these are never good."

Butting out

The Great American Smokeout encourages all smokers to drop the habit. Here are some tips and some fast facts about smoking.

Go figure

- 30 percent of cancer deaths are related to smoking
- an estimated 146,000 Americans died of lung cancer in 1992
- of the typical 1,000 smokers, fewer than 20 percent succeed in stopping on the first try
- emphysema and chronic bronchitis are 10 times more likely to occur among smokers than among nonsmokers

The American Cancer Society offers these tips for quitting:

1. Pick a Q (Quit) Day and prepare for it by thinking of the health reasons for your actions.
2. Change to a low-tar and nicotine cigarette.
3. Chart your smoking habits for at least two weeks: how many cigarettes; when, where and why you smoke.
4. Write down each night, at least 10 times, one of your reasons for not smoking cigarettes.
5. Eliminate one situation when you smoke cigarettes — morning coffee, after a meal.
6. Get a supply of substitutes: mints, gum, healthful snacks, ginger root, etc.
7. Quit on Q day — try different substitutes as the wish to smoke recurs — enlist a friend in a busy series of events; alert non-smoking friends for support. Don't give up even if you have a lapse.
8. Keep reminding yourself of the risks of smoking.

National Smokeout Day

sources: The American Cancer Society and the National Cancer Institute
Colleen Cooke/Editorial Assistant



Tim Kay/Chief Photographer

Cast members in Maryville High School's rendition of "Bone Chiller" rehearse the first act of the play Tuesday evening. The 13 students have been practicing for the

past seven weeks. They will perform at 7 p.m. Friday in the high school gymnasium. Admission to the performance is \$3 for adults and \$2 for students.

Students prepare to send 'chills'

by Stephanie Zielstra
Assistant News Editor

Maryville High School students hope to deliver a "chilling" performance Friday night.

A cast of 13 students will present at 7 p.m. the murder mystery comedy "Bone Chiller." This will be the first play of the season at the high school.

Twenty-six students tried out for the three-act play which pleased Karen Sovereign, journalism teacher and play director.

"We have a real good mix with freshmen through seniors acting in the play," Sovereign said. "Things are coming along real well. There is a lot of talent."

The students have been preparing for opening night for about seven weeks.

"The cast has been doing a super job and working really hard," Sovereign said.

Senior Cora Taylor is the student director. Taylor said she is interested in majoring in theater during college and has enjoyed the experience.

"I worked with the cast on lines, directing their acting and giving them stage direction," Taylor said. "I realize, as an actor, what they're going through, so I can help them in that way. The play has been a lot of fun to work with."

The performance centers around Josiah Travers, who requests his family and friends to go over to his house

before he dies.

The group of people, most of whom didn't know each other, were left to figure out his picture-puzzle will or rebus. Whoever figures out the rebus first will receive the money, which leads to comical situations.

The young actors have been helping each other prepare for the drama and memorize lines.

"I have had a lot of help with lines; my mom has even helped me rehearse," said freshman Shane Mullen, who plays Buzzy Burdett. "Tryouts really weren't that bad; I just gave it my all. I really wanted to get involved with acting."

The play will be in the high school gymnasium. Admission is \$3 for adults and \$2 for students.

School Board postpones awarding bid

by Mark Hornickel and JP Farris
Chief Reporters

The Maryville R-II School Board decided the numbers were still too high for the school district's building project last Thursday.

The architects and contractors started the negotiation process, and Mark Chalkey of Leo A. Daly spoke to the Board about changes that have been made in the proposed project.

District Superintendent Gary Bell said many of the changes deal with materials and supplies.

"It's hard to put an exact figure on (the cost of each material)," Bell said. "But the contractors are subcontractors who work with it and have an idea of what type of materials would work."

Bell said the Board is trying not to compromise the integrity of the educational specifications.

"I think with the reductions that we're considering now, we're really doing well at maintaining the educational specifications that we originally laid out," Bell said.

The contractors came to a potential savings of \$875,000. The current cost of the project is about \$9.322 million, which is \$122,000 over what the project should cost, Bell said.

"That puts us somewhat over budget of what we would anticipate, so we need to get it down to manageable figures," Bell said. "The problem is those reductions that some people would like to see, such as air conditioning at the elementary and at the high school. So we still have some work to do."

Depending on the financial condition of the district, Bell said there may be a possibility for additions in the future.

"Everything from the beginning of this project has been aimed at potential expansion," he said. "When you do this, you always want to leave room for things to be added at an economical cost in the future."

"You don't want to build everything in, and I think the architects have done an excellent job of looking at potential expansion. Anything that we could delay now could be

done with a reasonable amount of workmanship at a later date."

Northwest students discussed their experiences tutoring elementary students through the America Reads program at Wednesday's meeting.

Mike Thomson was honored as the Missouri Secondary School Counselor of the Year.

He also presented MMAT scores and told the Board that next year MMAT tests will be optional because the Missouri Advisory Program will be implemented.

The Driver's Education Program was approved for another year, after it was announced that it was successful and 80 of the 83 Maryville High School students passed.

The Board will meet at 6:30 p.m. tonight in the high school cafeteria.

Members will consider a negotiated bid from Leo A. Daly.

Bell said the Board would like to get some more figures and they will look at those details more specifically.

Eight more owners oppose Wabash Trail

Trlo of defendants withdraw from lawsuit

by Toru Yamauchi
Chief Reporter

A lawsuit over land for a proposed site of the Wabash Trace Nature Trail through Maryville heated up recently when three defendants withdrew from the suit, and eight more local landowners joined the plaintiff.

Three defending railroad companies — Norfolk Southern Corp., Norfolk Southern Railway Co., Norfolk and Western Railway Corp. — responded to a summons saying they do not have any interest in the proposed site of the land because they gave it away with quitclaim deed, an unguaranteed property title, to the Missouri Friends of the Wabash Trace Nature Trail, Inc., plaintiffs' attorney Rochelle Ecker said.

While the number of defendants was reduced to two, the Friends of Wabash and Maryville, an additional eight owners joined the preceding petition of Harvey "Bud" Williams, owner of H.D.W. Enterprises, Inc., to the Circuit Court of Nodaway County Division I.

Williams began the lawsuit early last month, saying a portion of the trail actually belongs to him and other adjacent landowners to the trail have the same argument.

"They (the Friends of the Wabash and Maryville) want to take the land from us," plaintiff Ralph Archer said. "And the Missouri Constitution says when the railroad was abandoned (in 1988), the land will go back to people who owned the land before. That's why I'm fighting. If I didn't think I owned it, I wouldn't have been fighting."

The Friends of Wabash responded to the summons by saying it will fight over the land, Ecker said.

Jerry Drake, attorney for the Wabash group, said he cannot comment about the lawsuit.

Although Maryville has not re-

sponded to the summons, the deadline is Nov. 30, said David Baird, Nodaway County prosecuting attorney, who is serving as the attorney for Maryville in the suit.

Baird said although he cannot comment about the lawsuit, he will file the response to the summons to the court by the end of November.

The issue started in 1995 when the Friends of Wabash purchased the old railroad trail through a quitclaim deed from the railroad company. Maryville became involved when it bought the portion of the land from the Friends of Wabash in February.

Ecker said although the lawsuit is just beginning, she is satisfied with it.

"We're pleased with the way things are going," Ecker said. "(But) it will take time."

Williams said this is also the battle for other people living in Maryville.

"The public and students need to know we do live in a democracy," she said. "And they (the Friends of Wabash and Maryville) can't just come in and take your property without good reasons."

Another reason the plaintiffs were fighting against the creation of nature trail is the possibility that it could become a place for negative activities.

"Everybody living with the railroad track, they don't want to have a dump and drug-related incidents," Williams said. "And the Maryville police force doesn't have enough police to enforce security."

Williams said another eight adjacent landowners to the trail plan to join his lawsuit, but the names have not been released.

Along with the lawsuit in Nodaway County, a suit involving Danny Moore, primary litigant against the nature trail in Atchison County, is waiting for the Friends of Wabash to file a motion for the summary judgment. The deadline for the motion was postponed to Dec. 8, Ecker said.

Farm

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and community service.

The Wilmes family began farming in 1960 and have been doing it for almost 40 years. Raymond and Roberta have been married for 35 years and have five children.

Their children have been outstanding in service acts and farming as well.

"They began small and then grew to a larger farm," Jewell said. "They now have trimmed back to spend more time on their hobbies."

Roberta Wilmes was surprised when they announced her family as the winner. She was not expecting

to win because of the other nominations and competition they were going against.

"It is quite an honor and we are still shocked," Wilmes said. "We are thankful because things does not always come in life that are unexpected."

Along with farm family, awards were given for outstanding farm youth to Melanie Acklin and outstanding farm woman to Chelyn Lager.

Hale Sanders, Parnell, was inducted into the Nodaway County Agriculture Hall of Fame. Sanders was recognized for his outstanding dedication and strong ambition in farming.

In Brief

Company merges with competition

Roosevelt Bank was purchased by Mercantile Bancorporation, and all Roosevelt accounts were transferred to Mercantile accounts Monday.

The merger will create about 500 additional locations throughout Missouri, Illinois, Kansas, Iowa and Arkansas.

Mercantile will continue many of Roosevelt's services such as Roosevelt's free checking account, bill payments by phone and check cards.

Customers are able to pay their bills by a phone call. They can pay an unlimited number of merchant accounts and arrange for automatic recurring payments.

Both ATM and check cards allow customers to withdraw cash, check a balance, transfer funds and make deposits.

For their convenience, customers may also use ATM cards at any Mercantile location without having to pay a fee.

Chamber decorates park for holidays

Franklin Park will become a "Winter Wonderland" this season at 10 a.m. Saturday. The Maryville Chamber of Commerce will decorate the park with Christmas lights.

Anyone interested is invited to come participate. Refreshments will be offered for all volunteers.

Event highlights seasonal shopping

Maryville businesses are ready to kick off the annual citywide Holiday Open House. This year's event will be from noon to 4 p.m. Sunday.

Employees of local businesses will be dressed up to start the holiday shopping season. Customers can browse the stores and see what merchandise they offer. Some businesses will also be serving refreshments.

Club's blood drive attracts donors

A bloodmobile sponsored by the Business and Professional Women Club Nov. 13 was at the First United Methodist Church. The bloodmobile had nearly 200 participants.

Fifty-seven people were announced as "Friends 4 Life," and presented a T-shirt or mug. A "Friend 4 Life" is a person who has donated blood four times in one year.

Bury the Bisons



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Public Safety

November 8

■ While an officer was on patrol in the 900 block of South Main Street, he observed a vehicle run off the roadway and returned onto the roadway. The vehicle was stopped and while talking with the driver, Cecil R. Green, 32, Maryville, an odor of intoxicants was detected. He was asked to perform a field sobriety test which he could not complete successfully. He was arrested on charges of driving while intoxicated after his blood alcohol content tested over the legal limit. He was also issued a citation for leaving the roadway.

■ An officer took a report from a local business that a male subject had left without paying for gasoline. Estimated value was \$10.01.

■ While on patrol in the 700 block of North Filmore Street, an officer observed female subjects walking and carrying alcoholic beverages. When two of the subjects observed the officer, they sat the alcohol on the ground and started to walk away. They were stopped and identified as Jennifer S. Curry, 19, Maryville, and Renee L. Dalton, 20, Kansas City. They were both issued summons for minor in possession and littering.

■ The vehicles of Shanelle A. Jackson, Barnard, Merel D. Poppa, Maryville, and Chad J. Legate, Maryville, were southbound on U.S. 71. Legate was stopped in traffic and Poppa was slowing down. Jackson pulled from Summit Drive onto 71 and struck Poppa in the rear causing him to strike Legate in the rear. A citation was issued to Jackson for failure to exercise.

November 9

■ A Maryville male reported to an officer that he had been assaulted by another male in the 400 block of North Buchanan Street.

■ An officer issued a summons for affray following an incident in the 1100 block of South Main Street to the following people: Jeffrey T. Peve, 34, St. Joseph; Chad A. Powell, 21, Stewartville; Kelly A. Sunken, 18; and Erin M. Douglass, 18, both of Maryville.

■ A bicycle was recovered from the 400 block of East Second Street.

Another bicycle was recovered from the 400 block of Lawn Avenue.

November 10

■ A Maryville female reported to an officer that while her vehicle was parked at her residence, it appeared that someone jumped on the hood causing a huge dent.

■ Charles R. Cousins, Griswold, Iowa, was westbound on 16th Street. While attempting to make a turn, he turned in front of the vehicle of Laura J. Lambert, Maryville, who was eastbound on 16th Street. A citation was issued to Cousins for careless and imprudent driving.

■ Fire units responded to a residence north of Maryville on a complaint of an odor of gas. Upon arrival, a gas smell was detected near the furnace. The owners were advised to have someone check the furnace.

■ An officer took a report from a Maryville female who said she was being harassed by a male subject.

■ Fire units responded to the 600 block of South Main Street on a fire call. Upon arrival, no fire was showing and after checking the building, it was determined there was a problem with the furnace.

November 11

■ An officer took a report from a Maryville male who said he has been receiving harassing phone calls.

■ A nine-year-old Maryville male was referred to the juvenile officer following an incident in the 200 block of East Second Street in which he caused a disturbance.

■ An officer arrested April S. Runnels, 22, Albany, on charges of larceny following an incident at a local business in which a carton of cigarettes, video tape and activity magnets were taken without being paid for. Estimated value was \$35.40. She was released after posting bond.

■ The vehicle of Della M. Owens, Maryville, was northbound on Munn Street and pulled into traffic from a posted stop sign and struck the vehicle of Lori A. Mardis, Maryville, who was westbound on First Street. A citation was issued to Owens for failure to yield.

■ The vehicle of Marvin E. Turner Jr., Stanberry, was eastbound on Sixth Street and pulled into traffic from a posted stop sign and struck the vehicle of Jane A. Poe, who was southbound on Market Street. A citation was issued to Turner for failure to yield.

November 12

■ While a vehicle of the Amoco Corporation, Chicago, was parked, it was struck by the vehicle of Amber A. Vanwyk, Maryville, who left the scene. After receiving the license plate number and description of Vanwyk's vehicle, it was later located. A citation was issued to Vanwyk for careless and imprudent driving and leaving the scene of an accident.

■ An officer was serving a Maryville Municipal Court warrant for failure to appear to Terry A. Troncin, 19, Hopkins, when the officers observed Troncin throw an object on the ground. Upon retrieval of the item, it was determined to be a bag containing a green leafy substance which tested positive for marijuana. He is being held pending charges.

November 13

■ An officer took a report from a local business that they were missing a blue Bluejet Anhydrous Applicator with 11 knives.

■ A Maryville female reported to an officer that her house had been shot at with paintballs damaging a window screen.

■ An officer took a report from a Maryville male who said his residence was shot at with paintballs causing paint splatters on the front of the residence.

■ A Maryville male reported he discovered paint splatters from paintballs on the siding of his residence and the garage door. One paintball had damaged the siding leaving a small indentation.

■ The vehicle of Tabetha A. Verbick, Maryville, was northbound on Main Street. She said she fell asleep and left the roadway striking a light pole. Verbick received probable but not apparent injuries. No citations were issued.

November 14

■ A Maryville female reported to an officer the theft of her 1990 Pontiac Grand Am from her residence. The vehicle was locked but had a spare set of keys in it. After receiving the report, it was determined the vehicle had been recovered on campus where it had been involved in a damage to campus property.

■ An officer took a report from a local business that a window had been broken out. It appeared it had been kicked in. Nothing was found to be missing.

■ An officer took a report of two mailboxes being damaged. It appeared that they had been hit by a vehicle.

■ A Ravenwood male reported that while driving in town he was followed by another vehicle. While stopped at a stop light, he was struck in the rear by the vehicle. The case was referred to the prosecutor.

■ An officer took a report of a window of a local business being broken. A sign hanging in the window had also been broken.

November 15

■ A Maryville female reported that while her vehicle was parked in the 400 block of North Buchanan Street, the passenger-side window was broken. Nothing was found missing.

■ A fire unit responded to the 700 block of West Torrance Street on a telephone call for service. The owner stated her oven had made a popping sound. Upon investigation, no fire or smoke was found and it was determined the heating element had malfunctioned.

■ The vehicles of Jami M. Anderson, Maryville, and Travis L. Foy, Sidney, Ohio, were southbound on Main Street. Foy was slowing down to make a turn when his vehicle was struck in the rear by Anderson. A citation was issued to Anderson for careless and imprudent driving.

November 16

■ An officer served a Municipal Court warrant for failure to appear to Anthony R. Maxwell, 18,

Maryville. He is being held for bond.

■ The vehicle of Christopher G. Blum, Maryville, was southbound on Main Street and the vehicle of Nyrce D. Brown, Maryville, was northbound on Main Street. Brown attempted to make a turn and her vehicle was struck by Blum.

November 17

■ Following an incident in the 100 block of North Davis Street, an officer issued a summons to Robert L. Sturm, 21, Maryville, on charges of assault.

Campus Safety

November 7

■ Campus Safety received a complaint of individuals throwing trash from a building on campus. Forty summons to the vice president of student affairs was issued for littering.

November 8

■ Campus Safety received a report from a staff member concerning fraternity hazing. An investigation was initiated.

November 9

■ A student reported receiving harassing phone messages. An investigation was initiated.

November 10

■ A staff member reported vandalism to a bathroom in a building on campus. An investigation was initiated.

■ A student reported receiving harassing messages over the computer system. The offender was located and issued a warning for behavior.

November 11

■ Campus Safety responded to a fire alarm in a building on campus. The alarm was unfounded.

■ Campus Safety responded to a medical emergency in a building on campus. The patient was assisted by emergency medical services and was transported to St. Francis Hospital.

November 13

■ Campus Safety investigated a report of a stolen vehicle on campus. Information was gathered, and the victim later informed Campus Safety that the report was falsified. The report was forwarded to the Prosecutor's office.

■ Campus Safety investigated a possible littering/disorderly conduct at a building on campus. The offender was unable to be located. An investigation was initiated.

■ Campus Safety investigated a stolen motor vehicle involved in damaging University property. Suspects were located and interviewed by Maryville Public Safety.

November 14

■ A student reported receiving harassing phone calls. An investigation was initiated.

Obituaries

J Darell Quinn

J Darell Quinn, 85, Maryville, died Nov. 10 at Parkdale Manor Nursing Home in Maryville.

He was born March 19, 1912, to Rosa Lee and Jimmy Dick Quinn in Gentry.

Survivors include his wife; one son; and two nieces.

Services were Nov. 13 at the Price Funeral Home Chapel in Maryville.

Bernice Stafford

Bernice Stafford, 94, died Nov. 12 at Heritage Health Care Center in Gering, Neb.

She was born Nov. 5, 1903, to Francis Perry and Gertrude Maude Holt in Bushnell, Ill.

Survivors include one daughter; six grandchildren; and 17 great-grandchildren.

Services were Nov. 15 at the Price Funeral Home Chapel in Maryville.

New Arrivals

Cheyenne Irene Cowan

Brenda Link and Scott Cowan, Sheridan, are the parents of Cheyenne Irene, born Nov. 4 at St. Francis Hospital in Maryville.

She weighed 9 pounds and 4 ounces and joins two sisters and four brothers.

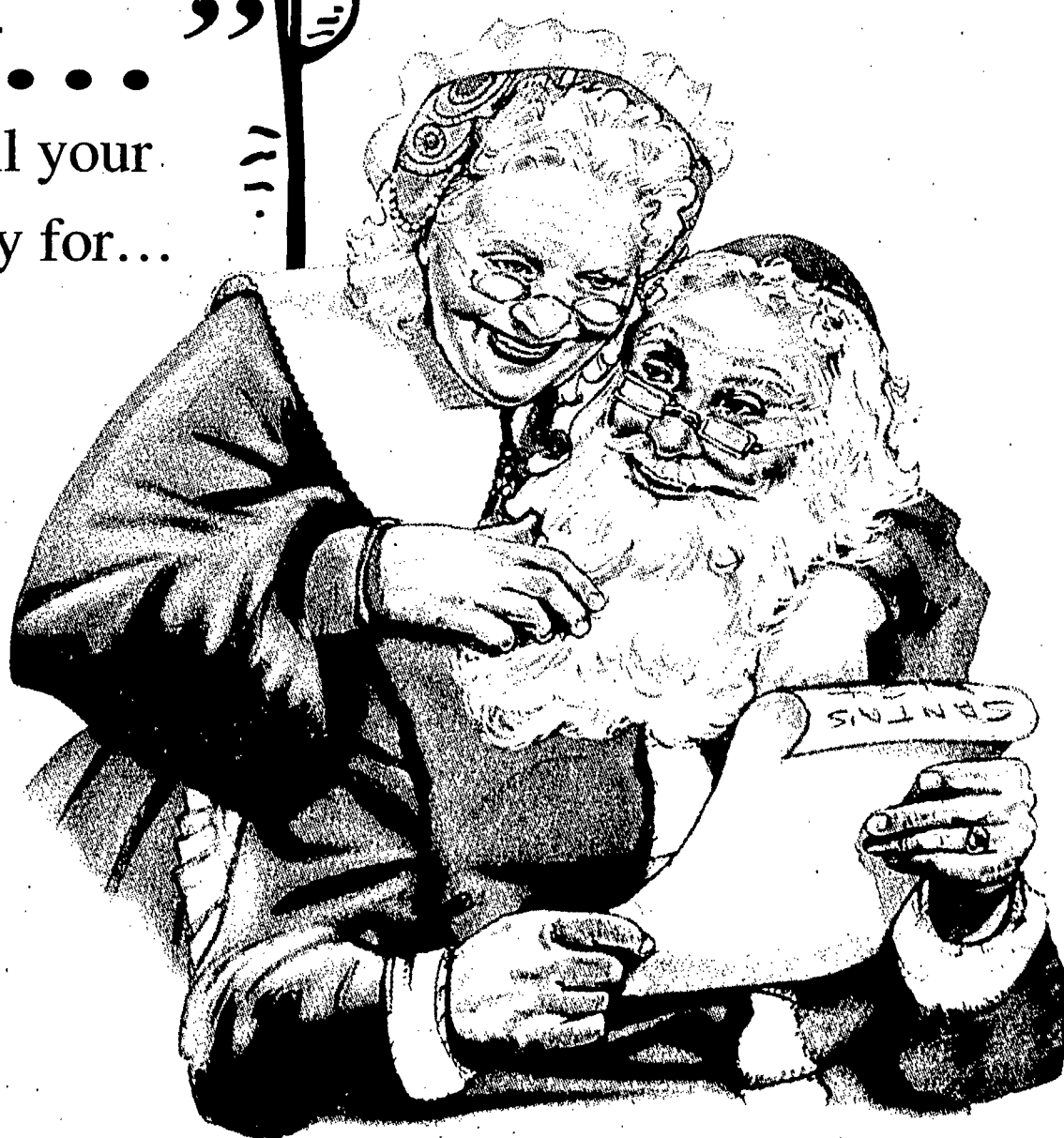
Grandparents are Larry and Joanne Gheens, Salisbury, and June Cowan, Elmo.

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Bearcats vs. Bison

Northwest, North Dakota State will wage playoff war



Junior quarterback Chris Grelsen drops back to pass in Saturday's triumph over Emporia State, 44-38. Northwest clinched their second straight MIAA title with the win. The 'Cats focus is on the NCAA Division II playoffs and North Dakota State. If the Bearcat fans provide a sellout crowd and the 'Cats nip the Bison, another home playoff game is likely.

B.J. Linnenbrink/Contributing photographer

No. 3 'Cats begin march to Alabama

by Collin McDonough
Managing Editor

It is sudden death — a do or die situation, but the second season is what the Bearcats have fought for all year.

It all boils down to this as the Bearcats play host to the North Dakota State University Bison Saturday. It marks the first-ever home playoff game at Northwest with the kickoff slated for noon.

"Now, it's just a matter of taking care of business each week because it's a whole new situation," head coach Mel Tjeerdsma said. "We're in sudden death now — lose and it's over."

The Bison enter the contest with a mark of 9-2 and a record of 7-2 in the North Central Conference. Northwest brings a mark of 11-0, including a perfect 9-0 mark in the MIAA. The 'Cats are ranked No. 3 in the nation while the Bison are No. 16.

Bob Babich, North Dakota State head coach, said he thinks both squads will come ready to play in the postseason.

"(Northwest) players are excited and confident as are our players," Babich said. "It's the second season now, and there is no time for mental letdowns or lack of execution when you play this game."

Seating info:

Bearcat fans looking to attend Saturday's game need to remember not to sit between the 30-yard lines on the west side of Rickenbrode Stadium. Those seats are reserved for North Dakota State fans. Fans should arrive at the game early to gain seats. There will be standing-room-only sections in the north and south end zones.

Tjeerdsma said there will be a few factors riding on Saturday's game.

"Turnovers will be a real key," he said. "Along with mistakes and penalties. We've had a little problem with that, and I think that's something we're going to have to eliminate. If our offense can do their job, score some points and not turn the ball over — I think we'll be in good shape."

The game will come down to a battle on defense, Tjeerdsma said.

"You know when you have two very good defensive teams like we have, then it becomes which offense continues to execute and do things right and which team makes the mistakes," Tjeerdsma said.

The strength of the Bison is evi-

dent in the numbers.

"I would call them a defensive football team," Tjeerdsma said. "Statistically they rank right up there in the country. They rank No. 1 in turnover margin."

Jake Morris, senior running back for the Bison, has rushed for 1,710 yards and 15 touchdowns this season.

"He's a little different than anybody we've seen," Tjeerdsma said. "He might be faster than anybody we've played. If he can get around the corner, he's pretty tough to catch."

Although Babich has only watched the Bearcats on videotape, he thinks they are very impressive.

"They are a very athletic team and an excellent team that has a very productive offense," Babich said. "Defensively, they are as good athletically as we have seen all year. Anytime you go 11-0, you've got a pretty good football team."

Dave Purnell, sophomore placekicker/punter, said the 'Cats have to put their perfect season behind them and focus on the present task at hand.

"Basically, we're 11-0, and we have to scratch that off our minds," Purnell said. "We are just going to have to take it like another home game and do our best."

Northwest schedule

@Midwestern State, 52-14	W
@Wayne State, 57-7	W
Missouri Southern, 31-26	W
Missouri Western, 52-13	W
Washburn, 17-14	W
Missouri-Rolla, 38-3	W
Southwest Baptist, 59-3	W
@Pittsburg State, 15-14	W
Central Missouri State, 41-9	W
Truman State, 34-10	W
@Emporia State, 44-38	

Bold games are MIAA games.

NDSU schedule

West Georgia State, 31-14	W
Texas A&M-Commerce, 51-0	W
Nebraska-Omaha, 21-27	L
Augustana, 37-0	W
@Northern Colorado, 28-24	W
Morningside, 35-0	W
@North Dakota, 31-10	W
@South Dakota State, 27-34	L
St. Cloud State, 31-0	W
@Mankato State, 47-20	W
@South Dakota, 24-21 OT	W

Bold games are NCC games.

'Cats shatter 20 records on way to perfect season

Marks are falling at a record pace this season for the Bearcats as they roll into the NCAA Division II playoffs Saturday.

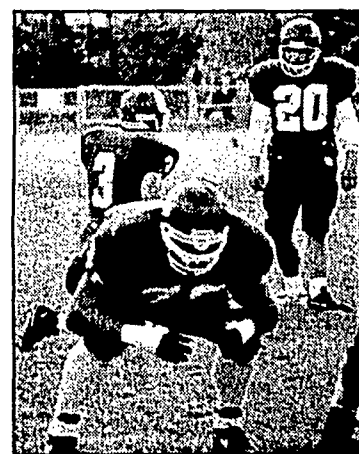
The 'Cats have set or tied 20 team or individual records this season including points scored with 440 and most wins with 11.

Dave Purnell, sophomore placekicker/punter set six records for the Bearcats including: most points by kicker (96), most PATs attempted in a season (56), most PATs attempted in a career (95), most field goals in a game (3), most field goals in a season (14) and highest field goal percentage in a season (.875, 14-16).

"It's a very big honor," Purnell said. "You really don't hear that much about a kicker on a winning football team. It's a big honor, and I'm very proud of it. I couldn't have done it without (junior safety Brian) Sutton and the offensive line."

The 'Cats set the team record for points scored in a season, and head coach Mel Tjeerdsma said it is an impressive statistic.

"It says a lot about our team," Tjeerdsma said. "We can score a lot of points, and we rolled up a lot of offense."



Jennifer Meyer/Photography Director
Sophomore kicker Dave Purnell lines up to attempt a kick.

Team records

Most victories in season — 11
Win-loss percentage — 1.000
Season scoring — 440
Highest scoring average — 40.0
Most TDs scored — 57
Most PATs kicked — 56
Most field goals made — 14
Season total offense — 4,554
Total offense/game — 414.0
Highest avg./pass attempt — 8.7

Lineman earns spot in Snow Bowl

The team aspect is showing once again for the football squad.

Josh Baker, senior offensive tackle, earned a trip to the Snow Bowl, a Division II all-star game Jan. 10, in the FargoDome in Fargo, N.D.

Baker said it is great to receive the honor, but he has other ideas at this point.

"My heart's in the team, and the playoffs are more important," Baker said. "I'd rather be playing

for a national championship. But this is just icing on the cake."

Head coach Mel Tjeerdsma said he is not surprised to hear Baker's reaction to earning a spot.

"That's the great thing about our football team," Tjeerdsma said. "We always treat team first, and it is something that is after the season is over for him to enjoy."

Players are nominated by coaches who turn in a list to a committee that evaluate the players.

Statistical comparison

Northwest	North Dakota State
Grelsen - 2,456 yards, 23 TD, 7 INT	Feeney - 1,321 yards, 16 TD, 7 INT
Lane - 112-737 yards, 11 TD	Morris - 280-1,710 yards, 15 TD
Hanson - 30 catches, 475 yards	Strehlow - 32 catches 585 yards
Lane, Purnell - 96 points	Morris - 90 points
Crowe - 124 tackles, 5.5 sacks	Fredricks - 128 tackles, 1 sack
Sutton, Nelson - 3 INT	McKinnon, Swanson - 2 INT
414 yards total offense	Off. yds./game 401 yards total offense
248.8 yards total defense	Def. yds./game 274.1 yards total defense
440 points, 40.0 ppg	Scoring offense 363 points, 33.0 ppg
151 points, 13.7 ppg	Scoring defense 150 points, 13.6 ppg
51 (Buckwalter G, Knutson, G)	Sacks (leader) 30 (Steffen 7)
14 (24 gained, 20 lost)	Turnover margin +22 (95 gained, 13 lost)

Starting lineups

OFFENSE		DEFENSE	
Northwest	North Dakota State	Northwest	North Dakota State
14 C. Grelsen	QB 19 K. Feeney	87 A. Buckwalter	DE 94 H. Lawler
1 C. Hanson	RB 25 J. Morris	53 A. Becker	DT 97 R. Steffen
39 K. Evans	FB 36 M. Roller	93 M. Voge	NT 90 K. Greger
88 M. Becker	TE 64 B. Veen	92 C. Sidwell	DE 98 C. Gellistad
79 J. Baker	G 61 S. Markell	41 D. Combs	LB 12 J. McKinnon
72 C. Thompson	C 74 J. Samuel	7 A. Crowe	LB 46 S. Fredricks
51 S. Coppinger	C 54 C. Simmers	31 K. Singletary	LB 40 B. Abneman
58 A. Espelund	T 73 J. Neumann	23 T. Youngs	CB 8 A. Skyberg
75 A. Dorrel	T 65 J. Sernchenko	25 B. Nelson	CB 6 M. Swanson
21 W. Hanson	WR 80 T. Strehlow	3 B. Sutton	FS 15 M. Kallenbach
10 T. Miles	WR 21 N. Zezza	12 D. Keys	SS 20 R. McCullum
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Gridiron comparison: Who's the best of the best? Here's a look at Northwest's stellar squads from '96, '97



■ Rob J. Brown

The Bearcat football program, the University and Maryville have enjoyed success the past two years, touting two MIAA conference championships and playoff-bound teams.

Despite their obvious similarities, these two squads carry different abilities and playing styles. As a sports writer and fan of the Bearcats, I have had the opportunity to take an in-depth look at both the 1996 and '97 squads. Listed below is a commentary comparing each section of the two teams. My pick of the better area is marked by a check mark.

Overall, I do believe this year's team is better and possibly the best in the 82 years of Bearcat football. The few mistakes the '96 team made, this year's crew has learned from them and hopes and better its '96 campaign.

Despite the on-the-field talents of the '97

squad, its strength is in leadership. Captains Matt Becker, Dante Combs, Adam Dorrel and Chris Greisen have taken note from head coach Mel Tjeerdsma and molded its team for success.

I hope their success leads to Florence, Ala., the site for the Division II football championship, but the road ahead is long and treacherous.

The playoffs are the start of a whole new season; 11-0 is thrown out the window — one loss and you're going home. So let's keep our eyes set on slaughtering the Bison of North Dakota State Saturday and take one game at a time.

It has always been my motto to get out of the past and live in the now, but I thought I'd offer a bit of opinion comparing these two powerhouse 'Cat squads.

Rob J. Brown is a staff member of the Northwest Missourian.



John Petrovic/Missourian staff
Junior A-back Derek Lane races past two Central Missouri State defenders. Lane has been an intricate player in both the 1996 and '97 MIAA conference champion Bearcat football teams.

MIAA co-champions, roster contained 1 all-American, member of NFL, 11-2

'96

vs.

'97

Outright MIAA champions, holder of 10 team school records, 11-0

'96

Quarterback

'97

It's extremely hard to knock a guy who owns 17 Northwest school passing records, but I am going to. Last year's quarterback **Greg Teale** was a dominant playmaker and one of the key leaders that carried the Bearcats to the playoffs, but **Chris Greisen** is the real deal. There is no doubt Teale owns Greisen in the speed department, but that's where Teale's advantage over Greisen ends. Greisen has met and exceeded every expectation put on him this year. His zipping, pin-point passes and composure in the pocket make me smile every Saturday. To the credit of Teale, a four-year starter, Greisen has one of the best offensive lines in the nation. He doesn't get tossed around like a ragdoll as Teale did during the '94 and '95 seasons. Also Greisen's big hands allow him to grasp the ball with ease. I believe that played a major factor during the monsoon-type weather in the victory over Pittsburg State and could be an asset during the frigid playoffs.

'96

Defensive line

'97

Comparing the '96 and '97 defensive lines is like night and day, but both have been equally effective. The current performers prove that speed is as superior to strength on the defensive line. Last year's group, led by **Kirk Larson**, **Ambrows Moreland** and all-everything **Matt Udhe** used power to bull-rush opponents. Although smaller in size, this year's group has used its quickness to better contain the run and add pressure to opposing quarterbacks. The '97 crew also has racked up more sacks than the '96 behemoths — 51 to be exact. Guys like **Cole Sidwell**, **Alan Buckwalter**, **Matt Voge**, **Aaron Becker** and reserve **Josh "K-nuts" Knutson** have shut any mouths of preseason doubters. With K-nuts and Buckwalter battling each week as team sack leaders, they have equaled Udhe's dominance of MIAA offensive lineman. One of the best things about the '97 starting crew is they're all sophomores. Yes Bearcat fans, you'll be seeing those names for two more years.

'96

Offensive line

'97

This is one area that gave me no trouble to make a judgment. The '97 line is undoubtedly the better of the two and quite possibly the best in the history of Bearcat football. The '97 crew does not rely on pure brawn to out play the opposition it uses its smarts. Despite **Josh Baker** and **Chad Thompson**, both 6'3" 300-plus pounds, the other three, **Adam Dorrel**, **Steve Coppinger** and **Andy Erpelding** are undersized as far as college linemen go, but they don't allow size to beat them. Led by Dorrel, this line depends on preparation and technique to pound and contain their opponents week in and week out. The group's unity and drive have made it the heart and soul of the '97 team.

'96

Linebackers

'97

The '97 corp has blended size, speed and tackling perfection to ignite the 'Cat wrecking crew defense. In '96 the defense was a bit soft on the run and in '97 the defense is allowing only 119.9 yards per game rushing. That stat is because of the athleticism and execution of **Dante Combs**, **Aaron Crowe** and **Kevin Singletary**. The trio has combined for 294 tackles while also offering some nimble coverage in the secondary. **Ken Gordon**, '96 first team all-MIAA middle linebacker, was a big loss last year, but you couldn't ask for better replacements than Singletary and Crowe. The '97 starters, coupled with break-out reserves **Wes Simmons**, **Jason Smith** and **Wayland Vacek**, have put no doubt in my mind that they are the best linebacking corp in the MIAA.

'96

Running Backs

'97

Current Kansas City Chief and last year's Bearcat offensive most valuable player, **Jesse Haynes**, is one of the best running backs ever to strap on Bearcat green and white. Haynes, who rushed for a school record 1,453 yards last season, was the workhorse of the '96 offense that averaged nearly 50 more yards per game rushing than this year's squad. Current A-back **Derek "Night Train" Lane** is no slouch though. He was on pace to break Haynes' school record of 17 touchdowns in a season, but Lane suffered a separated shoulder three weeks ago. Luckily he will be back in action this week. **Charlie Pugh** and **David "The Ignitor" Jansen** have also contributed this year giving Northwest a three-headed rushing monster.

There has been no slack this year at B-back, because of the return of **Kraig Evans**. He has continued his rocking of defenses with his superb blocking and kept defenses guessing, showing his running proficiency this year.

'96

Secondary

'97

It is not that the '97 group is less talented, and it may be because of the improvement of this year's linebackers, but I have to give the nod to the '96 secondary.

Only one starter was lost from last year's crew, but has been replaced well by **Daniel Keys** and **David Carlson**. With three of the four secondary starters gaining first team all-MIAA honors, including **Brian Sutton**, **Twan Young** and **Bobby Nelson**, the '97 group as definitely been lickin' and pickin' offenses the entire year.

But, so many times during the '96 season the secondary saved some Bearcat butt. The secondary tallied more tackles than both the linebackers and defensive line. And a safety shouldn't be leading the team in tackles (Sutton led with 129).

Graduating from Maryville High School, I was able to play and watch Brian Sutton on the football field. When the guy began playing on the Bearcat football team, some Spoofoond grads snickered at his skills to play college ball. He not only has proven he can play, his gives bone-crushing tackles and covers quite nicely; the guy has made me a believer. Let me just say that I am now a proud member of the Brian Sutton bandwagon.

'96

Wide receivers

'97

This was a tough area to decide, but at this point the '96 receiving corp, of **Mark Servé**, **Jason Melnick** and **Chris Zeller** is tops. They get the nod because their senior experience and sure hands.

This year's seniors, **Wade Hanson**, **Matt Becker** and **Nick Inzerello**, have shown skills, given leadership and shared game-time ins and outs with the young talents of the '97 group. The '97 crew has mass abilities and with **Tony Miles**, **Scott Courter**, **Steve Comer**, **J.R. Hill** and **Ryan George** all with at least two more years left. The future of Bearcat receivers will crank up the highlight films. Sidebar note: with a healthy **Willie Cohen** in the lineup, the current receivers could edge the '96 corp. Cohen showed me earlier this year that he is a premier big-time hands man and hopefully he'll return good as new next year.

'96

Special teams

'97

The crazy punt return abilities of **Jason Melnick** and **Twan Young** and **Mark Servé's** punt/kick blocking skills gave the '96 team a reason to look forward to special teams play. Although it is excellent in different areas, the '97 squad hasn't skipped a beat.

David Purnell's kicking has been money in the bank, and **Charlie Pugh** is able to use his darting quickness to open the field on kickoff returns. **Tony Miles** could prove to be better than Melnick in the long run, as shown in his 84-yard return against Southwest Baptist University. Also **Greg Bonnett** and **Brian Williams** have paralleled **Alan Buckwalter's** performances last year on kickoff coverage, offering bone-crushing hits to returnmen around the league.

1996 Bearcat starters

Offense:
QB - **Greg Teale** - first team all-MIAA; second team all-Midwest region
B-back - **Kraig Evans**
A-back - **Jesse Haynes** - second team all-MIAA, all-Midwest region
TE - **Matt Becker** - second team all-MIAA
WR - **Jason Melnick** - second team all-MIAA
WR - **Mark Servé**
T - **Matt Gilbert**
G - **Cal Brown**
C - **Steve Coppinger**
G - **Adam Dorrel** - second team all-MIAA
T - **Josh Baker**

Defense:
DE - **Kirk Larson**
NG - **Andy Hoggatt**
DT - **Ambrows Moreland** - second team all-MIAA
DE - **Matt Udhe** - first team all-MIAA, all-Midwest region; CoSIDA, AP, AFCA first team all-American
OLB - **Dante Combs**
MLB - **Ken Gordon** - first team all-MIAA
OLB - **Damon Dorris**
C - **Bobby Nelson**
FS - **Brian Sutton** - second team all-MIAA, all Midwest region
SS - **Malcom LeBlanc**
C - **Twan Young** - first team all-MIAA

Special teams:
KR - **Mark Servé**
KR - **Bobby Nelson**
PR - **Jason Melnick** - second team all-MIAA returner
P - **Shane Gladwin**
K - **Jamie Hazen/David Purnell**

1997 Bearcat starters

Offense:
QB - **Chris Greisen** - first team all-MIAA
B-back - **Kraig Evans**
A-back - **Derek Lane/Charlie Pugh** - Lane is the 10th leading scorer in nation
TE - **Matt Becker** - first team all-MIAA
WR - **Willie Cohen/Scott Courter** / **Tony Miles** - trio has scored 11 touchdowns
WR - **Wade Hanson** - two 100-plus yard receiving games
T - **Andy Erpelding**
G - **Josh Baker** - second team all-MIAA
C - **Steve Coppinger** - first team all-MIAA
G - **Chad Thompson**
T - **Adam Dorrel** - first team all-MIAA

Defense:
DE - **Cole Sidwell**
NG - **Matt Voge**
DT - **Aaron Becker** - first team all-MIAA
DE - **Alan Buckwalter** - second team all-MIAA
OLB - **Dante Combs** - second team all-MIAA
MLB - **Aaron Crowe** - first team all-MIAA
OLB - **Kevin Singletary**
CB - **Bobby Nelson** - first team all-MIAA
FS - **Brian Sutton** - first team all-MIAA
SS - **Daniel Keys**
CB - **Twan Young** - first team all-MIAA

Special teams:
KR - **Charlie Pugh** - second in nation in returns, first team all-MIAA
KR - **Tony Miles/Maleeke Lawson**
PR - **Bobby Nelson/Tony Miles**
K/P - **David Purnell** - nation's leader in kicking accuracy, second team all-MIAA

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Bearcat offensive line

Through thick and thin

Trenchmen receive little praise for dirty work, maintain family unity

By Rob J. Brown
Missourian Staff

As branches of a giant oak must start with a solid trunk, typically a championship caliber team begins with a strong offensive line.

The "Cats have rolled to an 11-0 regular season. Much of that success is because of starting offensive linemen Josh Baker, Steve Coppinger, Adam Dorrel, Andy Erpelding and Chad Thompson, quarterback Chris Greisen said.

Erpelding said through off-season workouts and on and off the field camaraderie, being a Bearcat offensive lineman is nothing but fun.

"We've got a great bunch of guys here," Erpelding said. "We're a close knit group — like a family. That gives us an advantage come game day."

Coppinger said the linemen have a code of family and follow the "I've got your back if you've got mine" motto.

"We're like five brothers out there, and we'll kick a brother's butt if he needs it, but we'll celebrate together too," Coppinger said.

Thompson said an O-lineman's performance is key for a team's success.

"If people want to see the importance of an offensive line just go back and look at film of the 0-11 year," Thompson said. "If the O-line isn't there, the offense is not going to get started — it all starts with us. If you miss a block or something, there goes the play."

With the pressure the group receives from coaches, teammates and fans it is sometimes difficult, Thompson said.

"If something goes wrong all the fingers are pointed at the O-line," Thompson said. "It always falls back

on our shoulders."

Dorrel, who started as a freshman in 1994 during the 0-11 year, said the team and offensive line have made an incredible turnaround since then.

"The difference between my freshman year and now is certainly the togetherness and family attitude," Dorrel said. "When I played back then the guys didn't communicate. They didn't care. They were in it for themselves."

"When I came here it was basically the threshold of hell," Dorrel said. "It's fun to see all of these guys work their butts off and be committed for a cause — winning. It's like planting a tree and seeing it grow. Now, we're really starting to see the rewards."

Coppinger said because fans' eyes are drawn to the ball, the line's performance sometimes are lost in the shuffle.

"I think we're the comedy of the team," Coppinger said. "We're always going to have fun and we're all laid back. We're not catching the football or scoring touchdowns, so we have fun in our own way."

Baker said a lot goes on inside that most don't realize.

"I don't think the regular fan understands how violent it is," Baker said. "It's a physically violent game, there's a lot of grabbing, collisions and a lot of stuff going on in there that people don't see."

Although no individual statistics are accumulated for offensive linemen, Dorrel said he only cares about winning.

"All we worry about is getting the 'W,'" Dorrel said. "I know our work is very appreciated by this team, and they know that we work hard. Getting respect is my statistic."

Baker said receiving praise and racking up individual statistics is not what the game is all about. He said the group has accepted its role



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Offensive linemen Adam Dorrel (no. 75), Chad Thompson (no. 72), Steve Coppinger (no. 51), Josh Baker (no. 79) and Andy Erpelding (no. 58), trot to the line of scrimmage, Saturday versus Emporia State. The Bearcats prevailed over the Hornets, 44-38 on its way to be the 1997 MIAA champions.

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Photography Director

"All we worry about is getting the 'W.' I know our work is appreciated by this team ... getting respect is my statistic."

■ Adam Dorrel,
offensive lineman

In the trenches

Josh Baker - 6'3" 315-lb senior left guard; '97 Snow Bowl participant; '97 second team all-MIAA; '96 honorable mention all-MIAA; two-year starter

Steve Coppinger - 6'3" 267-lb junior center; '97 first team all-MIAA; '96 honorable mention all-MIAA; two-year starter

Adam Dorrel - 5'11" 284-lb senior center; team co-captain; '97 first team all-MIAA; '96 second team all-MIAA; '95 honorable mention all-MIAA; three-year starter

Andy Erpelding - 6'3" 252-lb freshman redshirt; first-year starter

Chad Thompson - 6'3" 300-lb sophomore; first-year starter

and understands they won't get all the press after every game.

"I think that's reality, after you're done playing football — that's what life's all about," Baker said. "A lot of times you don't have somebody coming up and patting you on the back for a job that you've done well."

Greisen said he owes all of his success to the offensive line because without them he couldn't make much happen. Each Friday, he gives each of the starting linemen a candy bar to show his appreciation.

"I do the things that I can afford," Greisen said. "They deserve everything I can give them and more. They're doing a great job for me and all of the team this year."

Greisen not only rewards his linemen with treats but showed his full respect for his blockers when he earned the Don Black Award. When he lined up to receive the award and have his picture taken, he called his offensive linemen to come up and huddle around him.

"He's so appreciative of us," Coppinger said. "He's always patting us on the back to keep us up."

Baker said his teammates are sup-

portive of each other's play keeping positive attitudes.

"When you come back to the huddle after something goes wrong, if you had an O-line that didn't care they'd be bitching at you," he said. "But with us we pat each other on the back and encourage them for the next play."

Dorrel said the stereotype of offensive linemen being big, dumb guys who simply take up space in the middle is extremely contradicted.

"What I think separates a good offensive line from a great one, and I like to think we're a great one, is technique," Dorrel said. "Technique is my big thing. When I go against a guy that is more powerful I try to use better technique to play smart. If you can out-smart your guy a couple times, you'll get him thinking, 'What's this guy going to do next?'"

The group not only practices three hours a day, they also watch hours of game film to prepare for games.

"Preparation determines whether

you win or lose," Baker said. "In practice, during film, we learn what it takes to handle our opponents."

Bart Tatum, offensive line coach, said he's never seen a group with a better attitude or commitment to each other and the program. Tatum applauds their sportsmanship.

"Besides their performances, the thing that is notable is that these guys have not had one incident off the field, not an MIP — nothing," Tatum said. "That goes back to family. They all come from great families. You couldn't ask for a better group of guys."

Erpelding said of all of the moments the crew have been through, the Pittsburg State game was most memorable.

"Coach Tatum summed it all up when we were watching film of the Pitt State game," he said. "We were all muddy, and you could see our breath coming out of our helmets. He said that's what being an offensive linemen all about."

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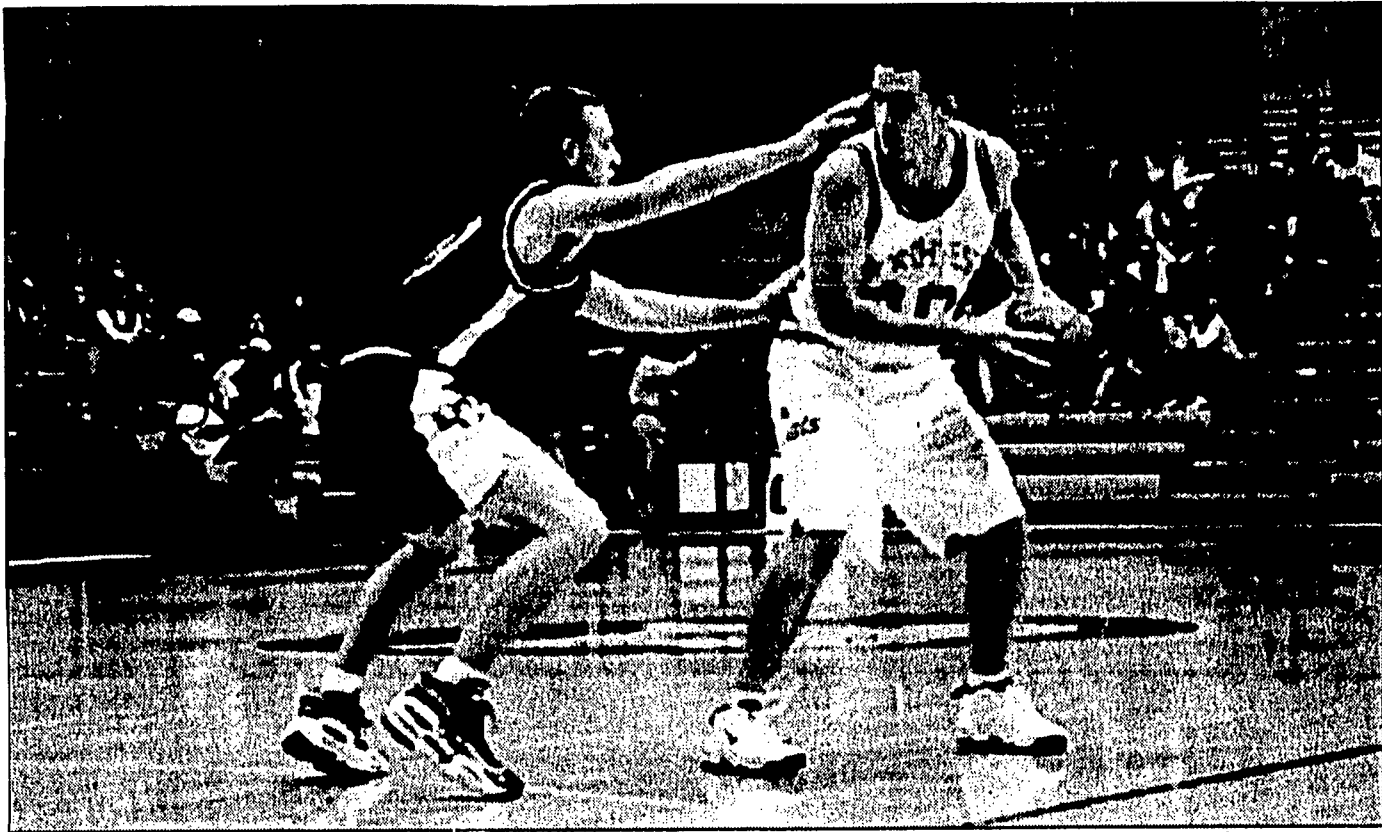
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Junior forward Mike Morley holds off a Faith Baptist Bible College defender as he looks for an open teammate. All 12 players participated in the 83-65 win. The Bearcats play Tugaloo (Miss.) at 8 p.m. Friday in Bearcat Arena.

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Men's basketball notches 2nd victory

by JP Farris
Chief Reporter

The 'Cats found themselves alone in the cage with the Faith Baptist Bible College Eagles Tuesday and the Benedictine Ravens Friday, but only feathers remained when they finished.

All 12 players scored and played at least 10 minutes in the 83-35 win over the NAIA Division II Eagles. The Bearcats sported a balanced attack with a 46-4 first-half lead. Junior forwards Matt Redd and LeVant Williams both had a game-high 13 points with senior forward Brian Burleson adding 12.

Although the game was a blow-out, the Bearcats still used it as a learning experience.

"(The score of the game) allowed us to play a lot of different combinations and kind of learn more about our team from the standpoint of a

game situation," head coach Steve Tappmeyer said.

Tappmeyer mixed defenses and used the entire offensive playbook.

"We're predominately a (man-to-man defensive) team, but we wanted to slow things down and work on things," he said. "I think defensively we got a little sloppy, but it's hard not to do that in a situation like this."

Although the Bearcats will learn from this game, Tappmeyer thought they may have been better off to not even partake in it.

"In some respects a game like this is not as beneficial as practice," he said. "Because you don't get your top seven (players) that are going to be out there playing the number of (repetitions) you need to."

The Bearcats saw little resistance from Benedictine College in the season opener Friday. The 74-56 victory win was not only the Bearcats' first test, it was the first chance for

senior point guard "Shakey" Harrington to showcase himself.

"I've been anticipating this day since I've been here," Harrington said. "It feels like I'm starting over again, almost like a freshman. I've been sitting out almost a year and a half, and I had a lot of butterflies. But I knew what was expected of me so I was going to have to step up and do my job."

Harrington was redshirted last season. There were two senior guards, and he had one year of eligibility left. After three semesters without a game, Tappmeyer expected him to be a little rusty.

"I really would not have been surprised if he would have struggled tonight," Tappmeyer said. "He hasn't played for a while, and he was so hyped up for the game."

Harrington scored a game-high 24 points with two assists and three steals. Redd also sparked the Bear-

cats with 14 points and 11 rebounds.

Off the pine, Williams supplied the Bearcats with 13 points on five of six shooting including one from beyond the three-point arc and eight rebounds. Knocking down the first two or three shots he took really got Williams in rhythm, Tappmeyer said.

"He's been struggling to pick up the system," he said. "It looked like when he came out tonight and got his first couple jumpers down he got a lot more confidence."

This weekend the 'Cats will play host to the Ryland Milner Classic, featuring Tugaloo (Miss.), Tampa (Fla.) and Drury College. The Bearcats open up against a run and gun Tugaloo team at 8 p.m. Friday in Bearcat Arena.

"We don't want to come out and lose our own tournament again, that was kind of sad last year," Burleson said. "I think we have the right people on this team to do well."

Spikers' season ends with 2 conference losses

by Wendy Broker
University Sports Editor

The volleyball team wrapped up its season over the weekend with losses to conference foes Missouri Southern State College and Pittsburg State University.

The women fought four games against Pitt State Saturday, but came up short, 8-15, 15-7, 8-15, 11-15.

Some bright spots for the 'Cats were Diann Davis, senior middle hitter and Abby Sunderman, freshman middle hitter. Davis recorded 11 kills and 10 blocks, while Sunderman notched 11 kills as well and put up seven blocks.

Jill Quast, freshman outside hitter, pulled up 20 digs as Jenny Waldron, junior outside hitter, added 19. Freshman setter Abby Williams picked up 37 assists in the match.

Head coach Sarah Pelster said the women had the same problems all weekend which cost them both matches.

"All weekend, we made serving and passing errors," Pelster said. "We had eight serving errors and eight receiving errors against Southern and 10 serving errors and 11 receiving errors against Pittsburg. When you make that kind of mistakes, it's hard to have offense and win matches."

Pelster said. "With five freshmen seeing a significant amount of playing time, I was very pleased with the season. We just have to work on our consistency. We lost at least four or five matches in five games, and we beat a nationally ranked (No. 25) team in Wayne State (College)."

The weekend matchups were not only the end to a winning season but final games for two seniors.

Davis, a four-year letterwinner for the squad, ended the season after breaking two Northwest records, one for block assists and the other for total blocks. Davis ranks No. 9 in the nation in blocks as well. She also averaged over three kills a match for the team.

Outside hitter Suzi Fabian, also a four-year letterwinner for the squad, played well for the team this season as well. She provided digging and passing experience for the young team.

Pelster said the seniors will be missed, because it will be hard to replace their experience and what they have done for the team in the past four years.

"Diann has been a dominant force in the middle," Pelster said. "She led the team and the conference in blocking this season and broke two Northwest records. There is a definite loss of a great leader there."

"Suzi has been excellent for the team in digging and passing all four years. We will miss her passing and defensive play the most. They will both be very hard to replace."

The future looks bright for the team even without these women, Pelster said.

"This was a learning year for us, a rebuilding year, but three freshmen were helping lead the team," Pelster said. "We knew we would take a few knocks, but we'd learn from them. We have made big strides for a young team, and I only see this team getting better. We will work on consistency in the offseason and by next fall we will be much more stable."

Runners travel to National meet

by Wendy Broker
University Sports Editor

ous times we've been in Kenosha," head coach Bud Williams said. "We hope to improve a third time. We are hoping something going into this one final time to go out and

It will take more than just mental and physical preparation for the men to do well at the meet, head coach Rich Alsop said.

"We will go up there and do as well as we can," Alsop said. "We will have to have a pack time of 1:30 at least to finish in the top 10. It is a great accomplishment for us to be there, but we want to go there and do something. We have the capabilities".

Alsop said the best Northwest has ever finished at Nationals is 12th, and the men want to beat that. The team is ranked No. 14 going into the meet.

"It will be nice for the season finale if we can put all the pieces together," he said.

upset bid

"He had two runs that were pretty good runs, but other than that, we did a good job of handling him," Tjeerdsma said. "That was one thing going into the game we felt we had to do (was stop Shay) and keep him from making big plays. We kept him out of the end zone, and I didn't know that we would do that."

With Northwest leading 41-31 late in the fourth quarter, junior safety Brian Sutton intercepted a Hornets' pass that proved to be the difference in the game.

"The key to that was that we got a lot of pressure on the quarterback," Tjeerdsma said. "It was fourth and ones, and they decided to throw it rather than run it with Shay."

'Cats win Jewell tournament

■ Women's basketball crowned champs following overtime victory over host William Jewell Saturday

By Kevin Schultz
Chief Reporter

A thrilling overtime victory, a new record and a tournament championship describe the women's basketball team's weekend at the William Jewell Tournament.

The 'Cats defeated Ottawa, Kan. in their first contest by a blowout of 78-44. The team's defense contributed greatly to the 34-point spread.

"Considering it was the first game of the year, we played fairly well," head coach Wayne Winstead said. "We still have some things to work on, but it wasn't bad for a start to the season."

The Bearcats proved their worth against William Jewell by meeting expectations with a win. It was against a more formidable opponent, Winstead said.

"William Jewell was a very tough game," Winstead said. "I give them a lot of credit, but we did not play with enough consistency, but we did prove something."

Inconsistent play throughout much of the game left the 'Cats trailing by 10 with only 2:44 remaining in the game.

But the 'Cats sprung back to tie the game and send the contest to overtime.

"We were down by 10 (points) late," Winstead said. "But the ladies never gave up or panicked. They ran the offense and kept playing hard. They have a lot of heart."

It was that heart that carried them to an 86-84 overtime victory and the tournament championship.

The championship is attributed to great post play from senior forwards Annie Coy and Denise Sump.

With Pam Cummings, senior point guard, feeding them the ball, the two inside forces combined for 45 points and 26 boards.

"Coy and Sump played big in both contests as well as junior-transfer forward Allison Edwards," Winstead said. "Edwards seemed to pick up her game and had a consistent tournament, scoring 15 in the first game and 16 in the second."



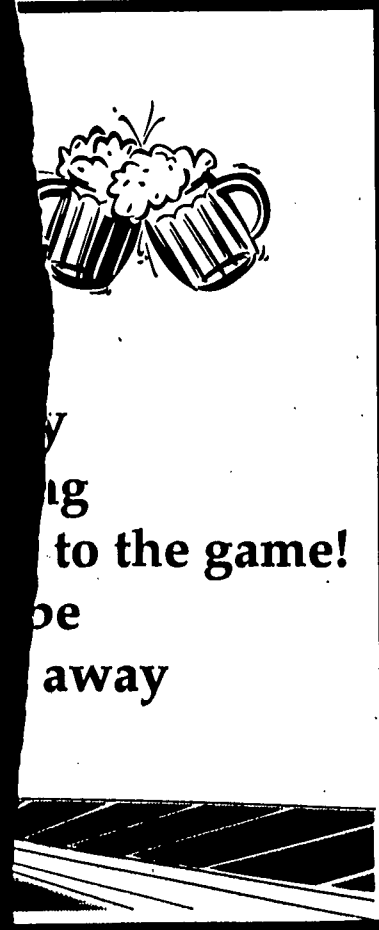
Jennie Nelson/Staff Photographer

Senior guard Pam Cummings tries to keep the ball away from a Nebraska All-Star in last week's exhibition game. The 'Cats play Rockhurst Friday night in Bearcat Arena.

With two regular season victories notched away, the 'Cats turn their focus to the Ryland Milner Classic.

"We don't know much about William Penn, they have so many new players," Winstead said. "But we know Rockhurst is for real and they will be very tough. That should be a great test."

The Ryland Milner Classic will be this weekend with the 'Cats playing Rockhurst at 6 p.m. Friday in Bearcat Arena.



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Spoofhounds prepare for *hot* winter season

Maryville High School teams attempt to continue last year's success

Tip-off inches near for boys' hoopsters

by Mark Hornickel
Chief Reporter

Coming off a season with 20 wins, the boys' basketball season will hit the hardwood this Tuesday with high expectations.

"I think the fact that we have an experienced ballclub coming back is one of the reasons why the expectations are high," head coach Mike Kuwitzky said. "We have basically the whole team back from last season and that's some encouragement that they can have a good season this year."

Junior Ryan Morley will return after putting in a solid season last year, Kuwitzky said. He led the 'Hounds with 11.6 points per game and 6.6 rebounds per game.

Seniors John Otte and Grant Sutton will also return to the team this season. Otte led the team with three assists per game while Sutton averaged 10.9 points and 3.7 rebounds per contest.

Kuwitzky said senior Tylor Hardy may also see a lot of playing time this year. As the 'Hounds' sixth man last season, he averaged 10 points per game.

A list of players including seniors John Edmonds, Jaimie Loch, Keith Wurm, Adam Weldon, Craig Archer, and juniors Nick Glasnapp, Mike Nanninga, Adam Otte and Ben Scott will also help the team with returning experience.

"I think (one of) the characteristics of this team is that it works hard," Kuwitzky said. "They show a lot of unselfishness. They play as a team. They're really good people, good stu-

dents and I enjoy working with them."

In addition to a deep group of returning players, Kuwitzky said a Northeast Nodaway transfer student, junior Adam Johnson, will be a strong attribute to the team.

"We're really excited about his presence with us, and he'll figure into the mix quite well," Kuwitzky said.

Kuwitzky said younger players will be a good addition to the team.

"We've got some really good young ones coming up too," Kuwitzky said. "We've got a really good group of underclassmen."

Last season, the 'Hounds finished with a record of 20-8 and they placed second in the Midland Empire Conference, behind Chillicothe. In addition, the team claimed victories at the Nodaway County Tournament and the Savannah Tournament.

"Last year was a really, really good season for us," Kuwitzky said. "We'd like to build off of that. I was really proud we got that far in the district, and we were able to challenge (Chillicothe)."

Kuwitzky said the team also benefited from wins over some of the tougher teams in the district such as Benton and Red Oak, Iowa.

"We just had some really big wins against some real quality teams last year," Kuwitzky said. "Winning 20 games in high school is really hard. Many people don't realize how hard it is to be a 20-game winner, but this group did it last year and I was very, very proud of them."

The season will tip off at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday at Trenton.



Jennifer Meyer/Photography Director

Several members of the wrestling team polished their techniques at practice Wednesday. The squad will begin its season Dec. 4 against Maysville.

Wrestlers expect pins

by Mark Hornickel
Chief Reporter

Nine state qualifiers will return to the Maryville wrestling team as it attempts to duplicate last season's success.

"I'd have to say our expectations are pretty high for the most part," head coach Joe Drake said.

The 'Hounds will field an experienced team which includes several wrestlers in the middle-weight classes with State tournament experience.

"That is definitely going to help us," Drake said. "Our concerns are our top three weight classes — if we're going to be able to fill them at all. If we do fill them, it's probably going to be with first-year wrestlers."

Drake said the team's main goals are to improve upon last year's dual meet record of 7-1-1, repeat as Midland Empire Conference champions and make a good showing at the State tournament.

Several State qualifiers will form the team's nucleus for this season, Drake said. Senior Mark Anderson, who finished sixth in the State tournament last year, will lead a list of returning State qualifiers that includes seniors Jeremy Tobin, Jeremy Lliteras, Ryan Castillo and sophomore Jeremy Bradshaw.

The 'Hounds' conference will include three new teams, Cameron, Platte County and Smithville, who have joined the MEC.

"All three have excellent wrestling programs," Drake said. "So that will change our dual schedule a little bit because of the fact that we have three new schools that weren't there last year."

The 'Hounds' season will begin at 7 p.m. Dec. 4 at home against the Maysville High School Warriors.

Wrestling schedule

Dec. 4 - Maysville
Dec. 11 - Cameron, South Harrison
Dec. 13 - Lexington Tournament
Dec. 20 - Trenton Tournament
Jan. 6 - Benton
Jan. 10 - Shawnee Mission Tournament
Jan. 13 - Chillicothe
Jan. 15 - Rock Port
Jan. 20 - Smithville
Jan. 22 - Platte County
Jan. 24 - Nebraska City Tournament
Jan. 27 - St. Plus X
Jan. 29 - Lafayette
Jan. 31 - Maryville Tournament
Feb. 3 - Savannah
Feb. 7 - District
Feb. 14 - Sectional
Feb. 19-21 - State

Bold matches denote home games played at the Maryville High School gymnasium.



Tim Key/Chief Photographer

Junior Ben Scott takes the inbound pass as sophomore Kyle Lager attempts to get the steal. The 'Hounds will start the season Tuesday.

Boys' schedule

Nov. 25 - Trenton
Dec. 2 - Shenandoah, Iowa
Dec. 5 - Savannah
Dec. 9 - Clarinda, Iowa
Dec. 10 - LeBlond
Dec. 15-20 - Nodaway County Tournament
Dec. 26-30 - William Jewell Tournament
Jan. 6 - Benton
Jan. 9 - Cameron
Jan. 12-17 - Savannah Tournament
Jan. 28 - South Harrison

Jan. 23 - Chillicothe
Jan. 30 - Falls City, Neb.
Feb. 3 - Savannah
Feb. 5 - Benton
Feb. 9 - Chillicothe
Feb. 13 - Smithville
Feb. 16 - Platte County
Feb. 19 - Lafayette
Feb. 23-28 District
March 13-14 - State

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Girls' basketball players ready to take the hardwood by storm

by Burton Taylor
Missourian Staff

It has been almost 10 years since the Maryville girls' basketball team won the Midland Empire Conference Tournament — it has a flag posted in the gymnasium to prove it. But this year head coach Jeff Martin wants to add to the display.

The team is in its final weeks of conditioning and working on both its offensive and defensive skills.

In practice, players run through a lot of different drills. They scrimmage, work on passing, dribbling and screening techniques.

In his third year of coaching the Spoofhounds, Martin believes the team is better than it has been in past seasons.

"We still have a little ways to go," Martin said. "But we have a lot of talented individuals, and I think that we could be pretty good."

Returning junior Megan McLaughlin said the team has improved and could make something happen this year.

With 44 players, Martin emphasizes the importance of teamwork and communication during games and practices.

"Coach Martin can be pretty hard on us, but it does us a lot of good," junior Shea O'Riley said.

Martin likes to use man-to-man defensive tactics and thinks it will work well for the team.

"Man-to-man defense is something that I have always believed in," Martin said. "It is something that I grew up with. It puts more responsibility on the shoulders of the players, and it is harder work, but it's worth it."

Martin said the team is working really hard, but the players' attitudes remain positive. He believes it is one of the biggest things they have going for them.

"They are always enthusiastic," Martin said. "That is going to carry the team a long way this year."

The Spoofhounds' first game will be at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday in Trenton when the team battles the Trenton Bulldogs.

Girls' schedule

Nov. 25 - Trenton
Dec. 2 - Savannah
Dec. 5 - Benton
Dec. 9 - Lafayette
Dec. 13 - Clarinda, Iowa
Dec. 15-20 - Nodaway County Tournament
Dec. 26-30 - LeBlond Tournament
Jan. 6 - Savannah
Jan. 8 - Cameron
Jan. 12-17 - Savannah Tournament
Jan. 20 - South Harrison
Jan. 23 - Chillicothe
Jan. 27 - LeBlond
Feb. 2 - Savannah
Feb. 6 - Benton
Feb. 10 - Chillicothe
Feb. 12 - Smithville
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Head coach Chad Holmes talks to his team by the side of the swimming pool at the Aquatic Center during practice for the Polar Bears swim team.

Holmes said he tries to give the children as much individual attention and encouragement as he can.

Splish, Splash... Polar Bears swim club allows children to dive into competition

Mark Hornickel
Chief Reporter

Most children are full of energy and turning that energy into accomplishments is not an easy task.

The Northwest United States Swimming Team has a roster of 24 members. The team, also known as the Polar Bears, targets ages 6-18, but the oldest member is 12.

The Polar Bears practice from 4-5 p.m. each Monday, Wednesday and Thursday night at the Aquatic Center at Northwest. Head coach Chad Holmes is a sophomore at Northwest and is surprised by the energy the children have.

"Usually, you'd expect little kids not even to be swimming a mile or half of a mile, but these kids are swimming about four to five miles in a practice," Holmes said. "They really love it, too."

The swimmers start practice by swimming 1,000 yards freestyle just to warm up. Then, they swim about one to two miles of sprints.

Holmes makes sure to keep their attention throughout the practice.

"I make sure, since it's such a small team, that I give individual attention to each swimmer, because that's what they need," Holmes said. They need to learn how to become competitors, and I'm here to teach them that."

Holmes said he has seen a lot of improvements, and he has been very impressed with many individual performances.

"Traci Harr dropped her time by about five or six seconds on her butterfly, and I didn't expect her to do that at all," Holmes said. "Jessica

Baker had never swam in a meet before and she did awesome — better than I ever expected. Megan Weiss dropped like 20 seconds off of her 200-meter freestyle time. You just don't see that. I would never expect those things to happen."

The Polar Bears have been practicing since Sept. 1, and they have already competed at three meets this season.

For the first meet of the season, the team competed at Kansas State University in Manhattan, Kan. Tom Jaeger, former Olympic swimmer, was in attendance, and he worked with the swimmers.

"It was really neat for the kids to work with an actual Olympian," Holmes said. "He talked to them, and they were able to learn about his experiences."

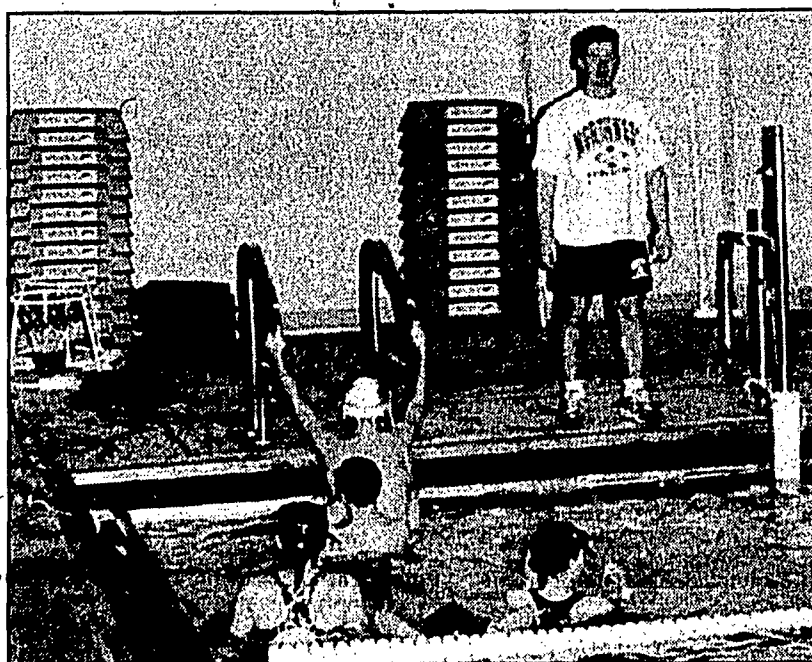
The Polar Bears normally compete in five or six meets a semester, which requires a lot of preparation.

"I tell them to listen to music when they are swimming and just prepare for the meet the night before," Holmes said. "They are just kids right now. Sometimes they don't really know what the competition thing is yet. So, I have to understand that part of it."

The swimmers enjoy the chance to compete.

"I like going to the meets because there are lots of people there," said Michelle Fink, 11. "It's fun to compete against other people, and you have to practice hard or else you can't compete."

Swimmers have the opportunity to qualify for two levels of competition. Last season, everyone qualified for Division II competition.



Tim Kay/Chief Photographer

Head coach Chad Holmes keeps a watchful eye on the members of his swim team during practice last week.

"They passed way over my expectations," Holmes said. "Now, their goal is to qualify for Division I. They are on a path I would have never expected."

The team also benefits from assistant coaches Andrea Giesken and Polly Carter, and help from the parents.

"I'm an elementary education major and I love being around kids," Giesken said. "I enjoy how the kids look up to you. How they look to you as a role model and you are their mentor. I like to see the kids succeed."

Parents participate at many of the

practices and meets, and they believe it is a good program.

"I think it's a great program," parent Christina Heintz said. "I think it's good that they are able to exercise this way and work as a team. It keeps them occupied and it gives them something to think about when they are swimming back and forth."

Many of the swimmers have been swimming competitively since they were young, but some are new at it.

"It's really exciting to see these little kids competing and starting as early as they do," Giesken said. "It's neat to see them accomplish things at such a young age."

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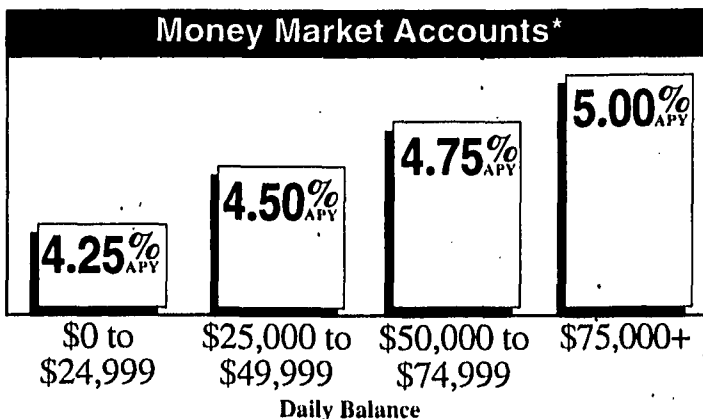
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Dean and Lois Ward are one of the few couples in Maryville who are happily married after 60 years. They were high school sweethearts and married in May of 1938.



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Keeping a marriage 'all sunshine and roses' for 60 years isn't easy, but two Maryville couples have lasted through the good and bad times

To Have & To Hold

by Stacy Young

In an age when divorce is a common occurrence, there are couples in Maryville who, after 60 years of marriage, have kept their promise to love, honor and cherish each other forever.

Les and Corky Reaksecker have endured the trials of marriage and will celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary next June. The couple met in an educational psychology class at Northwest, which was Northwest Missouri State Teacher's College at the time.

"I think we've been using what we learned in that class on each other through the years," Corky said, chuckling.

The Reakseckers have two children, five grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

"It was good to see all of our children grow up to be so successful," Les said.

Until their children were ready to leave for college, Corky worked at home. She later received her real estate license and entered the work-force.

"She was the second woman in No d a w y County to receive her license," Les said with a proud smile.

It's the little things that make their marriage special. At one time, Les worked for an insurance agency and Corky

worked for a dress shop that were across the street from each other. They made it a ritual every afternoon to meet for lunch.

Besides raising a family together, the Reakseckers share many common interests. They both like antiques, and they love to travel. They have been to every state except Alaska and across every province of Canada. They have also been on trips to Europe and Mexico.

The couple has been through some rough times, but they have learned to work with each other.

"It hasn't all been sunshine and roses," Corky said. "We do have our differences. When we need to be alone, he goes to his workshop, and I go to my backyard. He always tells me that I have everything that Earl May has sold back there."

"She does," Les added matter-of-factly.

The Reakseckers are community-oriented people. They take on many projects together and complete them with pride.

"When we retired, Corky said we were going to need something to keep us busy," Les said.

Corky added, "So we helped to restore flower beds and old statues around the town. We never expected anything out of it but we were invited to a Chamber of Commerce dinner and awarded a good citizenship plaque."

Another project they do together every Friday is taking church bulletins to rest homes for people who cannot get out to attend services.

"We really enjoy doing this," Corky said. "Every Wednesday and Sunday our church service is broadcasted on the radio. This gives those people a chance to at least follow along with it."

The Reakseckers' advice for young couples starting out is not to expect the other person to be perfect. They have to deal with the problems that arise.

"Sometimes when young people get married, they expect to pick up where they left off in their home life," Corky said. "They have to try and work things out, realizing that everyone has problems. You need to trust each other, and don't be afraid to give each other some space."

Another couple in Maryville with a long-standing marriage is Dean and Lois Ward. They will be celebrating their 60th anniversary in May, but they have known each other much longer.

Dean finished high school in Skidmore where he met Lois. They were students of the graduating class of 1931.

Dean and Lois dated for seven years during the Depression before they were married.

"We had to wait until we could find a job to live on," Dean said.



Dean and Lois Ward hold hands as they reminisce about their 60 years together. The couple dated during the Depression and married seven years

after they met. They graduated from high school together in 1931 in Skidmore and both attended Northwest. Today they reside in Maryville.

After graduating from high school, Dean went to the University of Kansas and studied engineering. Within two years, he received a job at the Kansas City Power and Light Company.

"I thought, here I am a lucky guy," Dean said. "I graduated from college, and I'm working for a great company, making good money so early in our marriage."

The couple has many memories together and are constantly making new ones. Some of their favorite memories were of their first years together.

"Lois came to Kansas City one Friday night at about quitting time, and with my first paycheck we were going to have a nice party," Dean said. "We were walking down the street, and I took her window shopping. We stopped and I showed her the KCPL building. I'll never forget that night. I felt like it was a great achievement. I hope Lois remembers that night too."

Lois sat in her chair and nodded her head as if she was playing that night back through her mind.

The Wards have learned from experience that a lot of work is involved in keeping a marriage going strong.

"Part of what has kept us together is being very serious about our vows," Lois said. "We were brought up that way. It's our moral fiber. You have to remember that a promise is a promise. It was our job to make this work."

The Wards believe marriage is a sacred union. Their attitude toward making it is teamwork.

"Some people just don't see it as a unified project," Dean said. "It's a cooperative thing in a sense, and you can't make it work without a unified effort. It's like people don't consider marriage as a permanent thing."

"Where else can you find a housemate cheaper than this pretty little girl?" Dean finished while looking affectionately at his wife.

Each marriage has a different secret for its success. For the Wards, their religion is a strong bonding factor.

"I think faith and faithfulness are very important in each other and in our religion," Lois said. "Forgiveness is also important. Everyone has to ask for forgiveness, and we have both been good at that."

In their relationship, they do have their share of arguments, but throughout the years, divorce has never been an option.

"We couldn't afford a divorce," Lois said with a giggle and a warm smile toward her husband.

"Yeah, they are kind of expensive," Dean returned with a laugh. "We just kept trying to solve our problems and kept making a living."

The Wards' sense of humor, along with their hard work has contributed to the success of their 60 years together.

"Marriage is just like anything else, you have to work on it, but it is rewarding. Isn't it honey?" Lois asked.

"Oh yes it is," Dean agreed.



Photo courtesy of the Reakseckers

ABOVE: Les and Corky Reaksecker RIGHT: The Reakseckers, who met in a psychology class at Northwest, will celebrate their 60th anniversary in June.

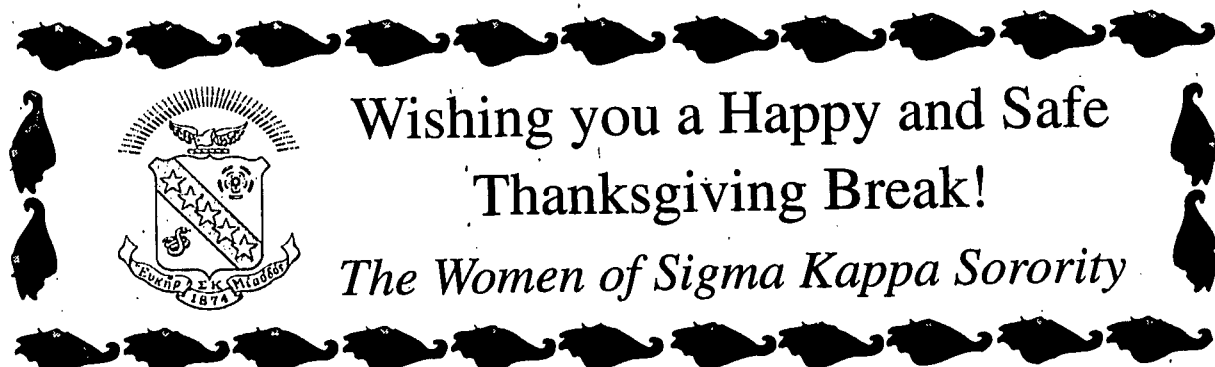


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Tips to remember for a successful marriage

1. Try to maintain an upbeat attitude throughout the marriage.
2. Work through your differences in a calm manner and avoid raising your voices.
3. Give each other space when needed. Married people still need personal time.
4. Try not to be selfish. Do things for each other.
5. Work through a problem until it is solved so it will not continue to arise.
6. Be patient and don't make material things top priority. It could take awhile to become stable.
7. Trust and support one another at all times.
8. Keep the romance alive by spending quality time together.
9. Begin your own traditions that can be unique to your family.

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about purchasing more student art. They encourage everyone, especially Northwest administrators, staff, and faculty, to help support the artists of this school! Dave's personal feelings about last year are that the items sold were at too LOW of a price. Great artwork is not cheap, and the buyers must realize this. They look forward to seeing even better pieces this year!

Dave's quote of the week:

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It's that time of year again. The season is changing, the leaves are falling and so are the student's attitudes. Warm weather and the beginning of a new semester brings positive attitudes and a strong sense of motivation. With every rebirth comes an agony of death. They were once positive people who turned into petty complainers and excessive procrastinators. People need to take control of the situations instead of letting the situation take control of them.

One of the biggest complaints I've been hearing is that the Spoofhounds aren't going to State, despite their almost impeccable record. They had a great year, and I commend them. But there isn't any use complaining about it.

Why not turn this negative into something positive? — like changing the playoff system so this doesn't happen again. Sitting around and complaining about it is counter-productive. Unite with other schools in the division and change the system instead of complaining and complaining.

Day in and day out, Northwest students grumble about the trial and tribulations of being a college student. They complain about group projects, speeches, presentations, tests and papers like no one else has the same hardships. Guess what folks, we're all in the same boat.

I also heard someone sniveling about one of their teachers who never cancels class. Isn't it funny that a college education is the only thing that we pay for and don't care if we get it or not. Imagine paying for a \$25,000 car and only telling people you have it.

Even though there are people who don't know where their next meal is coming from, college students continue to complain about our seemingly grim existence. Here's my suggestion if you are fed up with the 'Ville and need an escape. Take a road trip to another university and maybe you will begin to appreciate life at Northwest.

Here are some of my observations about the differences in our school and about 10 other schools I have visited.

• Guy to girl ratio at Northwest is about equal. Some schools are horribly lopsided, but at Northwest everyone has an equal

chance — to get a date that is. Need a reference guys? Visit the University of Missouri-Rolla or Iowa State University.

• People complain about paying \$25 for a lab book they can charge to their parents. I knew a student who had to take out a separate \$800 loan for books.

• People still have strong convictions about drugs, even the ones who often do them at Northwest, people keep it out of the public, respecting those who don't do it. I've been to many other schools where I've seen people doing drugs at the bars or at fraternity houses.

• Northwest computer ratio — one computer to every 2.5 students. Other schools have one computer to every 50 students. Try Thompson-Ringold next time you can't find a computer.

• Parking — I parked farther from my high school than I do now. Try getting a spot closer than a mile at schools like University of Missouri or University Nebraska-Lincoln.

• Crime — when was the last time you heard of a murder that is school related? Probably never. There was a stabbing death at Iowa State University last year during what is supposed to be a party (VEISHA).

• Maryville has some crazy people, but there are not many homeless people. I've been to some schools where the homeless are abundant, and college students actually enjoy buying them alcohol because they think it's funny.

• The law enforcement is not that bad. If you've ever been busted in Nebraska, you'd know what I mean. If they even see that you look like you might fight, you'll be in jail.

• Finally, believe it not, we have a great social scene and a friendly atmosphere. I've never had a visitor say they had a bad time in Maryville. It goes to show you that size doesn't matter.

Yes, I do see irony about Your Man complaining about other people complaining. If you think your problems are serious enough, call the counseling center at 562-1220. And if they aren't serious, don't call me.

The Stroller has been a tradition at Northwest since 1918 and does not reflect the views of the *Missourian*.

Weekly Crossword

ACROSS

1. Italian tower town
5. Uses the microwave
10. Hanker
14. Military branch
15. Nobel economist
16. Fol's kin
17. Spat
18. Fall preceider?
19. Scripture passage
20. Minaret

DOWN

22. Takes away
24. Like many dormitories
25. Select
26. On the house
29. Expert filers
31. Rancid
34. Leslie Caron role
35. Granada man
37. Infantry
38. Miscellany
39. Explosive trio
40. Toyland visitor
41. Frijol
42. Reason

ACROSS

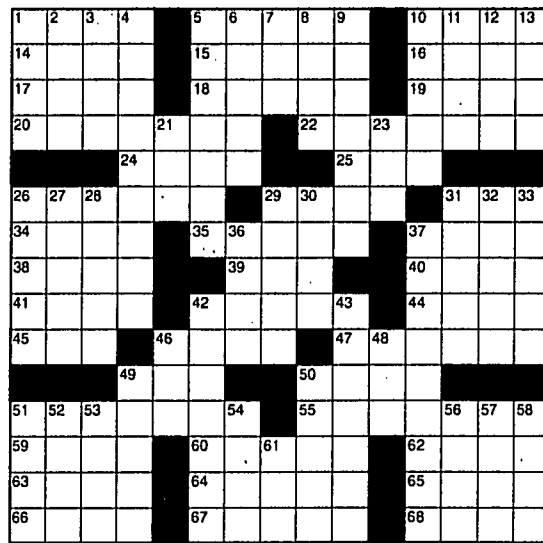
44. CBER's word
45. Sullivan and Flanders
46. Run of good luck, to Nathan Detroit
47. Rising stars
49. Vetoing vote
50. Asian cuisine
51. Dusseldorf's neighbor
55. Stinging insects
59. Gray matter (abbr.)
60. Bordon symbol
62. Author Waugh
63. Reviewer Siskel

DOWN

64. Alberto Tomba, e.g.
65. One of the Sinatra girls
66. Baseball stats
67. Medieval slaves
68. Levant

Answers to last issue's puzzle

OOPS BIRD ROBIN
RULE BRIE ADELA
BROADCAST VOLKS
SPRY KEG RASH
CLOP RAIL
INHALED BREADS
WRY NEARS ESTEE
EELS ORATE SAGA
SNOD SWELL LAM
TENURE SEMITES
TSAR POLE
BACH TED ALLI
ACHES WASHCLOTH
SMART ELEE EGOS
HENNA DICE RENT



1. Positions
2. "True What They Say About Dixie?" (2 words)
3. Unthreatened
4. Hugs and kisses, e.g.
5. Unlucky
6. Made a mistake
7. Paul Newman in *Exodus*
8. Mrs. Lincoln's maiden name
9. More complaisant
10. Relax
11. Oil cartel acronym
12. Bank teller's call
13. Obtains
21. Hawaiian food
23. The (Ger.)

26. It may make the world go 'round
27. Irritated
28. Anonym
29. Abolish
30. Portable beds
31. Audacious
32. Brittle fossil resin
33. Cloth workers
36. Catchall (abbr.)
37. Loathe
42. Modesty
43. Parroters
46. Old cloth item
48. Crewman's
49. Memos
50. Dick Turpin, e.g.
51. Parakeet's pad
52. Remarkable thing
53. Cinema's Turner
54. Actress Sommer
56. Lamb's pen name
57. Perfect ones
58. Sing like the Velvet Fog
61. Francis Drake's title

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Omaha

Dec. 4 — "Emmanuel," Omaha Civic Auditorium Arena. (402) 444-4700
Dec. 4-7 — "Nutcracker," Orpheum Theatre Omaha. (402) 444-4750
Dec. 17 — Lorie Line, Omaha Civic Auditorium Music Hall. (402) 444-4700.

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Nov. 19-23 — "Les Miserables," Des Moines Civic Center. (515) 243-1109
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For additional events search Ticketmaster's web page at <http://www.ticketmaster.com/>

The Northwest Missourian will not publish an issue next week because of Thanksgiving break. Sorry for the inconvenience. We will return Thursday, Dec. 4.

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Trying out trimesters

The Board of Regents made decisions at Tuesday's meeting regarding construction projects and calendar dates that will affect the campus for years to come. Here is a wrapup of some of the Board's decisions.

New University calendar

The University calendar will see dramatic changes because of the implementation of an extended summer schedule. Starting in the fall of 1998, the fall and spring terms will be shortened to 15 weeks, and the break between terms will also be shortened. Starting in the summer of 1999, the extended summer schedule will be in effect. See page 3 for more on this development.

The dates represent the beginning of planning and development to the date grades are due to the Registrar.

Fall 1998:	Fall 1999:
Aug. 19 - Dec. 14	Aug. 18 - Dec. 13
Spring 1998:	Spring 2000:
Jan. 5 - May 3	Jan. 4 - May 1
Summer 1999:	Summer 2000:
May 10 - July 30	May 8 - Aug. 15

Relocations and hall changes

Because of renovations to the Student Union and some residence halls, many campus offices will be relocated while major changes will take place in some residence halls.

Summer 1998
• South Complex will be off-line until August 1999
• Student Union construction begins
• Student Affairs, Campus Activities, Residential Life, I.D., Campus Dining and student organization offices will move to Thompson-Ringold Hall for about two years

August 1998
• Hudson Hall becomes coed by floor to accommodate the closing of South Complex, a coed residence hall
• Perrin Hall will be reopened as an all-female residence hall
• First floor of Douglas Hall will be reopened

Colleen Cooke/Editorial Assistant

University shapes future

Board of Regents passes 1998-'99 trimester calendar after months of consideration

by Jacob DiPietre
University News Editor

After many months of lobbying, conducting surveys and countless pages of research and studies, the University Board of Regents approved a trial trimester calendar at its meeting Tuesday.

The enhanced summer schedule, which will take effect in the summer of 1999, will offer students more options for classes. In the summer of '99, the three four-week sessions will start May 10 and end July 30. Then the full 15-week trimester for the summer of 2000 will start May 8 and end August 15.

However, the enhanced summer schedule, which will be evaluated at the end of each year, was not approved by all Board members. Regent member, Chip Strong who represented the one vote against the trimester calendar, was not sure the University

would serve the students by implementing an enhanced summer schedule.

"My biggest concern is that we don't have enough information to know where we are going with this," Strong said. "Some 10 years ago, the president went out on a limb and recommended lengthening the semesters. I have a problem with going back and shortening the semester."

Strong is not the only one with concerns. Richard Fulton, professor of political science, said he can see how an enhanced summer schedule would help, but he believes the University should proceed with caution.

"I think if it is done wisely, it is a good opportunity, but I am concerned we will build too much out of it too fast," Fulton said. "Such as moving ahead in programs without faculty planning. I'm not sure (the Board) knows what to expect out of this program."

One of the big supporters of an enhanced summer schedule is University President Dean Hubbard. He said there are a lot of misconceptions about a trimester calendar and thinks the enhanced summer schedule will not hurt, even if it does not work.

"I don't think the roof will fall in," Hubbard said. "I think life will go on, students will learn; teachers will teach; this institution will continue to develop — that's my view. I don't think it will be dramatic one way or the other."

While Hubbard thinks there will not be a big impact on campus, some students still don't know what an enhanced summer schedule is.

Annelle Weymuth, executive assistant to the president, handed out a survey to all students during fall verification. Of the 2,373 returned surveys, 74 percent of upperclassmen said they either had no opinion or didn't want an enhanced summer schedule.

This is another reason Strong was unsure about proceeding with trimesters.

"Twenty percent of our students graduate in four years," Strong said. "So the marketplace has dictated that most students don't want to get out quicker."

Strong believes there are some good points regarding summer schedule. However, he said it all depends on how the University advertises the new calendar.

Renovations pass, set to start next fall

by Stephanie Zellstra
Assistant News Editor

After the applause was over, a collective sigh of relief could be heard from the people who put in long hours and hard work on their project — the student's project.

The Board of Regents passed the proposed Student Union/residence halls renovation plan at its meeting Tuesday. The goal of the renovations is to make the Student Union appeal to students in a more relaxed atmosphere.

"I absolutely love the plans," said Jeff Lukens, student representative and Residence Hall Association president. "What they're trying to do will make it more of a Student Union, not just a cafeteria where you go to eat."

Many interested parties were present as the fate of the Union and residence halls was decided unanimously.

"The next part will be to draw up more detailed construction documents so that everyone will be able to see them," said Becky Mullins of Gould Evans Goodman Associates, the architectural firm in charge of the project.

During the hall renovations, relocations and alternative accommodations are also being planned. South Complex will be unable to be used from May 1998 to August 1999. Because of this, Hudson Hall will become coed by floor in August 1998.

Perrin Hall will also open in August 1998 as an all-female hall. The first floor of Douglas Hall will reopen in August 1998.

The Union has been given the most consideration in how to handle the relocation of several campus dining services.

Campus dining renovation plans will be conducted in two phases. The first phase will include construction to the south side of the building. During this time, the Spanish Den and "Cats Commons will not be accessible. Instead, the meeting rooms in the upper levels will be turned into dining space.

What they're trying to do will make it more of a Student Union, not just a cafeteria where you go to eat."

■ Jeff Lukens,
Residence Hall
Association president

Because there will be a need for space, dining areas will also be offered in other areas on campus. Some of preliminary plans include having an eating area in 103 Garrett-Strong where hot food would be served. There is currently a bakery and extra storage space in the basement of the Conference Center. They plan to offer Italian food, including Itza Pizza. The Administration Building will also supply dining space. The former mail room is going to offer cold food such as sandwiches and salads.

"It won't be the most convenient, obviously," Courter said. "But once we get the design board up and on display for people to see, I think that kind of enthusiasm will grow."

All these relocations come at a price — an estimated \$25 million, which students will have to pay. Tuition is projected to increase steadily over the next four years because of the cost of renovations. Currently in-state students pay \$84.50 per credit hour. Next year's cost will go up to \$90.75. Out-of-state students pay \$147.75 per credit hour and will pay \$157.75 next fall.

NO LOOKIN' BACK NOW



Senior B-back Kraig Evans leaves the field of play during Saturday's 44-38 win over Emporia State. Evans racked up 359 rushing yards during the regular season and hopes to be a part of the Bearcats' offensive juggernaut throughout the playoffs. The first round of the NCAA Division II playoffs begin at noon Saturday when the 'Cats play host to the Bison of North Dakota State.

Jennifer Meyer/
Photography Director

Refer to pages
6-8 for more
Bearcat football.

Missouri recognizes local educator

Teacher receives honor for contributions to journalism program

by Nicole Fuller
Assignment Director

She was a pioneer for developing scholastic journalism throughout Missouri and established guidelines for journalism teachers throughout the state. It has been her dedication to teaching and journalism that has taken her to the top.

Opal Eckert was one of seven people inducted into the first Missouri Interscholastic Press Association Hall of Fame last Saturday at the Journalism Education Association convention in St. Louis.

Bill Hankins, Oak Park High School journalism adviser nominated Eckert for the honor.

"It is a way of recognizing her for early contributions to the Missouri school of journalism," Hankins said. "She is amazingly vital and a role

model in not only journalism but in education."

Hankins said Eckert is an outstanding woman who at the age of 92 is still active in the community. She plays an important role in Maryville.

Eckert was awarded the William Taft Award in 1997. She won the national journalism teacher of the year in 1963. She is one of the first leaders in Missouri Scholastic Journalism and also one of the first national teachers of the year.

Eckert still encourages students to take as many journalism classes as they can. She said she was "wished" into journalism and has not stopped loving it since.

"A group of students asked me to sign a petition so they could get a journalism course," Eckert said. "And not thinking I would be teaching it, I signed to support. Then in the summer, I found out that I was teaching the class. I never thought I would get so interested."



Erica Smith/Advertising Director

Bill Hankins presents Opal Eckert with the Hall of Fame Induction Award last Saturday at the JEA convention in St. Louis.

Speaker enlightens audience

Banquet pays tribute to field of farming

by Nicole Fuller
Assignment Director

When the estimated 300 people left the 37th Annual Nodaway County Farm-City Banquet Monday they were certified O.P.O. — Official Post Observers — fence posts, that is.

Joe Jeffrey, the evening speaker and fence post connoisseur, talked about the different types of fence posts he has encountered.

He is known as the "Post Toaster," and Jeffrey travels around the country giving presentations about the history of those apparently mundane "things" that hold up "bobwire," — fence posts. He also gives presentations on outhouses and food.

Jeffrey said he has been in 24 states and Canada three times and performs about 100 shows a year.

"I started this in about 1970-71," Jeffrey said. "It slowly developed into what it is today. I do this strictly for entertainment."

Duane Jewell, chairman of the chamber agriculture committee, saw Jeffreys perform before, said Judy Brohammer, Maryville Chamber of Commerce director.

"He has a speaking circuit, and Dr. Jewell has seen him perform so we invited him to be our guest speaker for this year's banquet," Brohammer said.

While Jeffrey provided entertainment for the evening, the main purpose of the banquet was to honor people in



Nicole Fuller/Assignment Director

Judy Brohammer presents the Farm Family of the Year Award to the Raymond Wilmes family at the 37th Annual Farm-City Banquet Monday night.

the field of farming.

The banquet, sponsored by the Maryville Chamber of Commerce, recognizes individuals in the farming community by distributing several different awards.

The farm family of the year was awarded to the Raymond Wilmes family for their outstanding excellence and strong contributions through farming, conservation

See Farm, page 4

Our View

OF THE UNIVERSITY

Be Santa Claus for children with Angel Tree program

To hear Bryan Vanosdale, director of campus activities, talk about the Angel Tree project is to understand the true meaning of Christmas.

When Vanosdale was at Tennessee Tech University before coming to Northwest, his campus took part in a program that encouraged faculty and students to buy Christmas gifts for needy children in that area.

With the help of local agencies, students could pick up a form — printed in the shape of an angel — that told what the children wanted for Christmas.

Unlike most children's Christmas lists, these lists often included requests for socks and underwear, or even a simple coloring book.

With a hint of tears in his eyes, Vanosdale told a story of when he delivered a bunch of these gifts to a group of children in Tennessee. A 6-year-old girl came up and tugged him on the pant leg and said, "Mister, are you Santa Claus?"

Vanosdale stood silently for a moment before responding, "No, hohey, I'm not Santa Claus." He then handed the bag to one of the people helping distribute gifts and quickly walked outside. He stood by a pickup truck and sobbed.

Now at Northwest, Vanosdale, along with Julie Norlen, vice president of Panhellenic Council, and Evan Polly, vice president of Interfraternity Council, is helping bring that tremen-

dous spirit of giving with the first Angel Tree event.

Starting tonight at 6 p.m. with a tree-lighting ceremony, the event offers the opportunity for students and faculty to make a real difference in the life of one real child.

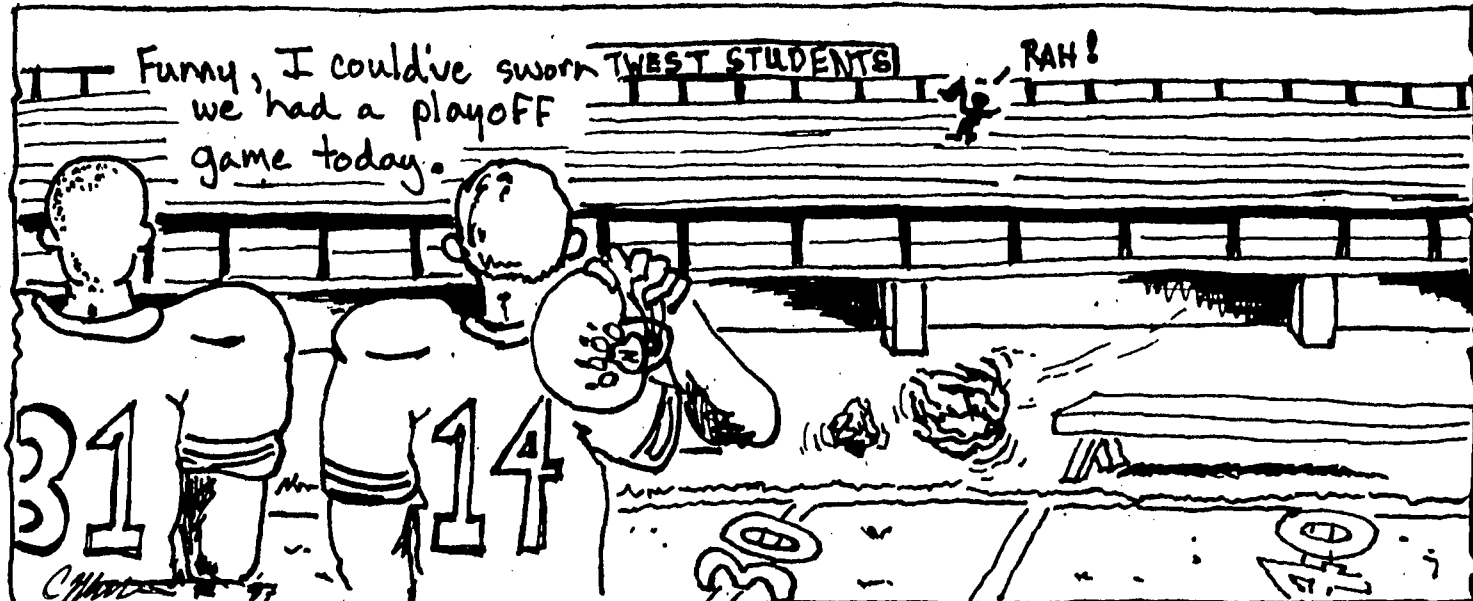
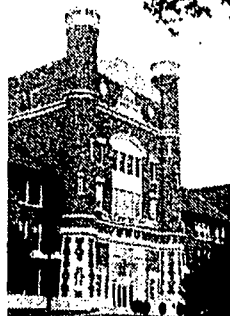
It's a simple enough request: Pick up an angel (or more if you can) and fulfill a child's wish for Christmas gifts. You can pick up angels tonight until Dec. 5. The gifts must be turned in by Dec. 12.

Along with Panhellenic Council and IFC, the Community Service Agency of Nodaway County is working with the Angel Tree program to provide the names of children who could use assistance.

All too often Christmas turns into a "me" holiday for most people. We make our wish lists filled with dreams of high-priced items and things we don't need.

What we truly need during this season is to explore the benefits of giving, and the Angel Tree is a perfect opportunity to do that. It won't cost that much, but the inner rewards you will reap will keep you warm throughout the year.

Vanosdale might have been wrong that day when he told the little girl that he wasn't Santa Claus — everyone who brings joy to children at Christmas qualifies for that title. It's now up to Northwest to play Santa Claus for Nodaway County children.



University View

Board realizes heart of Northwest



■ Marisa Sanchez

Serving as Regent proves to be positive experience

It all started on Valentine's Day, 1996 in Jefferson City. My two-year gubernatorial appointment to the Northwest Board of Regents, approved by Gov. Mel Carnahan, will be ending Jan. 1, 1998. I offer this article as an acknowledgment to how this experience has greatly enhanced my life.

My chief responsibility as a servant to the Board of Regents is to synthesize the opinion of the 5,000 plus Northwest students and provide an accurate account of what is in the best interest of students.

Short of calling every student personally, the task can be overwhelming. Instead, I have opted to attend Student Senate meetings, Strategic Planning and several "special" committee meetings. In addition to informing and addressing student concerns as faculty and staff have received, I have had many positive words of encourage-

ment and support by the Regents themselves.

I am not sure exactly how other Boards in the state operate, but I'm 100 percent assured that not a single one approaches the "team" effort and "family-type" atmosphere that the Northwest Board of Regents has shown me. For that reason, I regret that my term will soon end.

In March 1996, just one brief month after the hearing, the first issue facing the Board was formally brought to my attention — EC+ (Electronic Campus Plus).

Reflecting on that experience, I can not identify a single member of the Board who did not, at some point or another, ask my personal opinion in regard to the issue. Overwhelming and somewhat intimidating? Yes. But, those feelings were soon put to rest by the reassurance of the same Board members who quite openly

displayed their high regard for what the students feel about the issues.

Several other issues of more immediate concern to Northwest students were presented formally to the Board Tuesday. Again, I was there in the thick of the discussions, and again, the other members displayed their concern for students.

While to the majority of Northwest students, faculty and staff, the Board seems to be a distant governing body, this Board could not be closer in touch with the heart of what is Northwest.

Personally, the members of the Board have been nothing but amicable and sincere since my very first day "on the job," and I am assured that our relationship will continue past my final date of service to this admired Board.

Marisa Sanchez is the student Regent for the Board of Regents.

My Turn

Bearcats continue to strive for national championship



■ Colin McDonough

The shootout is set for high noon Saturday. The Bearcats and the North Dakota State University Bison will go at it in the NCAA Division II playoffs.

I can't believe I just said those words.

If I had said those words four years ago, I would have been laughed at by every person on this campus.

Covering the Bearcats was my first assignment for the *Missourian*, and I was definitely nervous.

I was just really excited to actually be writing about a collegiate football team. Little did I know, but the Bearcats were one of Division II's worst football teams in 1994.

When the Bearcats opened their season with a 49-7 loss to Mankato State University — it finally hit me.

I came to the realization that maybe they were the "Bad News Bearcats."

But I couldn't judge a team by one game. The next week the squad traveled to East Texas State and were steamrolled again.

This continued throughout the '94 campaign and into the '95 season as well. The Bearcats never had a chance to notch a 'W.'

The losing streak rolled into my

sophomore year before it came to a surprising halt at the hands of the Southwest Baptist Bearcats.

Head coach, Mel Tjeerdsma and his coaching staff were building a machine to be reckoned with, but who could tell after only one win?

Ever since that win, the Bearcats have compiled a superlative record of 28-8, including two MIAA championships.

After four years and a complete overhaul of attitudes, this squad will try and conquer its next goal of reaching and claiming the national championship.

I have never doubted the Bearcats in all my years at Northwest.

There is no doubt in my mind that before leaving this University, Tjeerdsma will lead the team to a national championship trophy.

The crowd and school spirit has increased over the years. Whenever I said anything in the press box in the lean years, the coaches on the other side of the field could hear me.

With this newfound success, the crowds have grown in size and decibels. Now when I come to the stadium, I almost get lost in the shuffle.

It begs me to ask the question.

Who let them Bearcats in the house? Who? Who?

I don't know whether it was Tjeerdsma, his staff or his personnel that let them in, but whatever they've done, it has been tremendous.

Colin McDonough is the managing editor for the Northwest Missourian.

My Turn

Hallways don't dissuade desire to teach



■ Colleen Cooke

Encounter with high school students awakens memories of crowds and insecurity, but strengthens vocational calling

I don't miss high school. Not one little bit. The older I get, the more sure I am of this.

The sardine hallways, the inane giggling, the helpless insecurity, the herd mentality, the unavoidable ignorance — good riddance.

And yet, I want to teach high school more than anything else.

Can anyone say contradictory?

This weekend, I attended a national convention of high school journalists. I came face to face with something I spent more than four years away from, and I came away more confident than ever that teaching is my calling.

To prepare myself for teaching high school, I wanted to attend some sessions at this conference, which about 3,900 high school students attended.

Going to a session was simple enough: Arrive before the start time and find a seat. I just didn't anticipate the roadblocks ahead.

Apparently, every student wanted to attend the 10 a.m. Friday session on yearbook design, and I had to wade my way through them.

The escalator deposited me into a sea of similarly dressed people joined in strange conglomerations.

Some formed snake-like lines so they would not lose each other in the chaos. Others joined at the

hips and backpacks and barreled over the crowd. More infuriating ones simply floated aimlessly and stopped in my path to announce "I don't know where I'm going."

Somehow, I needed to maneuver my way through this. These aren't exactly the skills I learned in my methods classes. I get the feeling they should have been.

These kids, however, adapted to high school hallways that seem to be universally congested. They show no mercy for fools who dare step an uncertain foot into their building between classes.

It took 10 minutes to move 25 feet past the escalator. I finally made it to the room for the session. From my vantage point, I could already see seats were scarce, but after standing through the last session, I was determined to sit.

With a muffled gasp, I broke free of the pack. I peeked into the room and saw groups sitting on the floor — not a good sign.

Behind me, I heard an ominous rumble move closer. Two hundred people clad in retro 1970s apparel and denim and armed with convention booklets and Eastpaks came streaming forward. If I didn't move, I would become part of the convoluted pattern of the carpet.

I hid behind a door as the chaos

melted away and the sessions started. On my way to the Northwest booth, I clenched my hands and mumbled impolite thoughts. The consensus at the booth was that I ought to reconsider my vocation if one encounter with students unraveled me so.

But I don't think it was the contact with students that unnerved me. It was the feeling that I warped back to high school, when I had to maneuver those hallways and felt insecurity stab at me.

I'm glad to be out of high school, but I still want to teach. I look forward to taking my place at the front of a classroom, looking out at a bunch of young people with excitement — not anxiety.

The conference sparked a fire of new ideas in me. I've hardly been able to concentrate on my assignments since I got back; all I can think about is how I would set up my classroom and the ideas I'd like to pass on to students.

"My object in living is to unite/ My vocation and my avocation/ As my two eyes unite in sight."

- Robert Frost.

I can't wait to teach. I just don't want to walk down those hallways.

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Letter to the Editor

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President recalls event

Dear Friends,

Mrs. Foster joins me in thanking each of you who had any part in making Homecoming 1997 the enor-

mous success it was.

We especially appreciate the accolades afforded us as Grand Marshals of the parade and the wonderful reception that evening.

We are very proud of Northwest and appreciate being included in its

many activities.

Wishing you a happy holiday season.

Robert P. Foster
President Emeritus

It's Your Turn

Does the Greek system encourage irresponsible drinking? Why or why not?



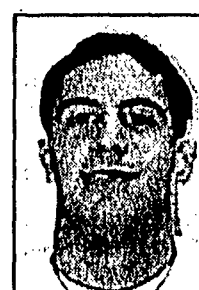
"Yes, because alcohol is readily available."

Gwen Beyer,
child and family studies major



"No, I think they make drinking optional. They don't force it."

Trina Dunn,
finance major



"Yes, because the parties have alcohol, and many college students don't know how to control their drinking yet."

Jon Goldberg,
physical education major



"No, because I am not a Greek, and I still drink irresponsibly."

Joe Staal,
undecided major



"No, because people would still drink just as much even if they weren't Greeks."

B.J. Williams,
pre-law major



"Yes, because people, especially those going through Rush, feel obligated to drink to fit in."

Amanda Muller,
child and family studies major

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Students have concern with some Senate action

by Mark Hornickel
Chief Reporter

With all of the major decisions being made to campus this week, the voice it affects the most are the students.

The voice of the students is represented by Student Senate. Some students believe their opinions have not been heard regarding the major decision-making process. Although, Senate is forming committees to inform the student body.

One example is the Student Senate open forum last week in the Student Union to discuss its view and answer students' questions concerning the Board of Regents meeting about trimesters Tuesday. Several students said Senate could better inform the students with publicized surveys and more forums.

"The student opinion is not represented at all," art major Angela Steuve said. "What, there was something like this one big meeting and that is supposed to be enough? No surveys or anything? — the students' opinions were not represented at all."

Many students said they received the impression at the forum that the Senate was not concerned with their opinions.

"Student Senate has been a scapegoat for people to criticize, and we're not going to let the forum intimidate us or say that it was a bad experience," said Angel Harris-Lewis Student Senate president. "There were not enough students taking it seriously. We thought we were doing a good job. The Spanish Den is jumping and that was our reason for having it there."

Unknown to some students, senate voted in favor of the proposed trimester calendar, the

increase in tuition and the Union and residence halls renovations.

Some students believe the Senate should seek out the students for their opinions, rather than the students seeking out the Senate for answers.

Harris-Lewis said the open forum was to let other students know where the Senate stood on the present issues.

"I know a lot of students felt that it was senators job to go out and try to get the responses," Harris-Lewis said. "But they have to understand there are 10 times as many students as the senators. If there's a student out there that thinks we need to go to the people, I encourage them to call the Student Senate office and tell us."

Student Michelle Ludwig said the Senate will try additional forums, but the students had an opportunity to share their opinions.

"(The students have) had a chance to voice their opinions all along," Ludwig said. "They can talk to their reps and the reps can relate back to Senate. They can call the Senate office; they can find someone to talk to."

Harris-Lewis believes the Senate's job to present the issues of the University to the students is important. She said the Senate is doing their best to inform students of current issues.

"We'll have these meetings whether they are issues or not," Harris-Lewis said. "It's a way that students can come to us and say, 'Hey, I thought of this while I was in the shower today. Here's what you should do.'"

Senate has an additional way to inform students with a committee called the Student Strategic Planning Council.

Administrators do not supervise the meetings, although they may be called on to address certain questions. Harris said almost 90 percent of the students are not members of Senate.

Bearcat Pride



Jennifer Meyer / Photography Director

Mayor Bridget Brown reads the proclamation that declared Friday "Bearcat Pride Day" and Saturday "Bearcat Football Day" in Maryville. Mayor Brown was joined Wednesday by City Council members Dale Mathes, George English and Jerry Riggs. Also attending were Robert Foster, former University President, Rich Alsop and Bud Williams, University cross country coaches, University President Dean Hubbard, Bobby Bearcat, Mel Tjeerdsm, head football coach and Bearcat football captains

Chris Grelsen, Adam Dorrel (standing), Matt Becker and Dante Combs. Mayor Brown encourages everyone to wear their green and white Friday to support the Bearcats' first-round playoff game with North Dakota State University. This is the first time the Bearcats have had a post-season game at Rickenbrode Stadium. The Bison come in with a 9-2 record. Kickoff is scheduled for noon Saturday with a special breakfast at 9 a.m. at the Alumni House.

Fraternity starts house with ground breaking

by Mark Hornickel
Chief Reporter

For the members of the Tau Kappa Epsilon fraternity, their goal of building a new house is coming true.

The fraternity broke ground for its new house last Saturday and plan to begin construction around March 1. Depending on the contractors, the house should be ready early next fall, TKE adviser Russ Northrup said.

"It's a big step for us," TKE president Chris Peasley said. "We've been dreaming about this for a long time, and now our dreams are finally being realized."

The new house, in the 500 block of West Ninth Street, will be all brick and approximately 8,000 square feet. It will be home to 32 men, and the rooms will be in the form of suites — two rooms to one bathroom and two people in a room.

The new house will also feature a full kitchen and eating area, a partial basement, a formal lounge and a chapter room with a fireplace.

The lot is also large enough to accommodate parking and recreational equipment.

"The house will be designed specifically for fraternity living," Peasley said. "It will withstand the pressures of everyday living. It will have a room where we can sit down and hold meetings, and it will be built toward our needs."

The most unique aspect is that it will be the first house built for a fraternity. The current fraternity houses are converted residences, and they are somewhat inadequate for the needs of fraternity living, Northrup said.

Northrup said the location and the nature will set a new precedent for Northwest fraternity houses, and it will help not only the image of TKE but all fraternities.

"The community is tickled to death that we're moving into an industrial area of the community, and it's closer to the University," Northrup said. "Fraternities are in the process of healing themselves after the 70s and 80s. Too often, we hear about hazing and alcohol poisoning. We're working on maintaining the philosophy that fraternities are supposed to create better leaders."

The TKE Board of Trustees has finished preliminary plans and elevation drawings and are working on



Amy Roh / Contributing photographer

TKE president Chris Peasley and vice president Derek Owen take part in the initial formal ground breaking, as the rest of the chapter looked on last Saturday. The fraternity plans to start construction March 1.

giving our construction bids.

The fraternity lost its house to an electrical fire last fall.

However, several pieces of memorabilia were salvaged. They will be displayed in the new house in their own room called the 222 room.

The fire pushed along the plans the fraternity had already started for a new house.

Larry Apple, TKE Board of Trustees member, said a new house was the main goal when the Board reorganized about four years ago.

"The fire was the catalyst for the whole project," Peasley said. "We had been working on this since the 60s and it had kind of been placed on the back burner. After the fire, it put the plan in full motion and spurred it on."

The project was launched in May after the alumni selected a finance committee that includes people from all over the Midwest.

"We want to raise \$200,000, and we think that objective is reasonable," Northrup said.

Faculty share views on trimesters

by Toru Yamauchi
Chief Reporter

The decision by the Board of Regents to approve trimesters produced mixed reactions among faculty, when they found out Tuesday.

Tom Zweifel, Faculty Senate president, said the Board delivered all the points about trimesters well.

However, Zweifel said the Board did not answer the particular issues of the Senate resolution about time on task and compensation.

"The Board of Regents was trying to make a decision one-way or the other," Zweifel said. "There wasn't time to develop specific responses. I think these issues will continue to be addressed (by the Board)."

Zweifel said Faculty Senate will discuss the time on task issue, if the instructors can cover the same ma-

terials in a shorter term. Also, the administrators are willing to solve the compensation issue regarding the faculty's salary in the summer.

"We will be compensated during summer school the way we are now," Zweifel said. "But it doesn't address someone (who) teaches full time (in the summer)."

Even though there are unanswered questions, some faculty are supportive about the calendar.

Accounting instructor Dave Hancock said he was opposed to three equal trimesters which was originally proposed. But he believes the modified trimester is acceptable.

Richard Fulton, political science department chairman, said although he is supportive of the Board's decision, the University needs to implement it carefully.

"I support it cautiously and watch exactly what we will do with this,"

Fulton said. "I think there are a lot of opportunities here, as long as we don't try to fool ourselves into thinking that by offering a lot of courses a lot of people come. We have to be careful not to spend a lot of money with very few students."

The changes in the summer will vary in each department. Lee Hageman, art department chairman, said the summer calendar will not have much effect on his department because only few general education courses will continue to be offered.

On the other hand, Hancock said more classes will be offered in the business department.

"I think it will help enrollment over all," Hancock said. "In the past, students are afraid to enroll in summer session, because they're not sure what classes are going to be offered."

Zweifel said faculty should take advantages of the new calendar.

Encore 'succeeds' in filling Mary Linn

by Burton Taylor
Missourian Staff

The sarcastic humor about the life of a businessman filled Mary Linn Performing Art Center Tuesday night.

The musical "How to Succeed in Business Without Really Trying" ended with a standing ovation from the audience.

This comedy musical was entertaining but was a bit misleading to people who were required to attend.

"I didn't originally want to go, but I had to for a class," biology major Michelle Spindle said. "But, I was really impressed and glad that I went."

Musicals from road companies are common at Northwest. For the last five years, the University has played host to about one or two a year.

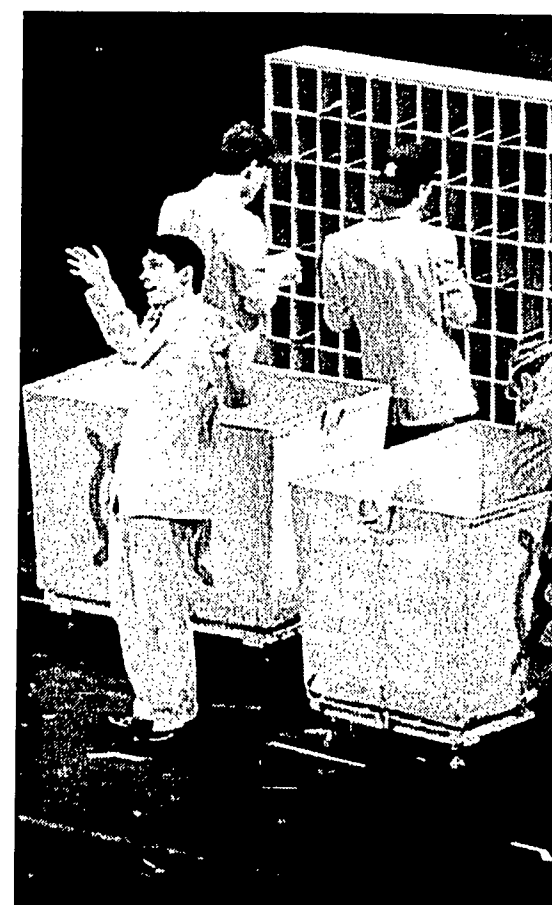
Charles Schultz, professor of theater arts, believes that it is a good idea to bring these shows to campus because it allows community members and students to Mary Linn.

"The more good shows we have at Mary Linn, the more people will get into the habit of coming to all kinds of shows, including those that we do, and the ones that bring in the road company," Schultz said. "I was so tickled to see the large crowd that we had, and it is one of my favorite musicals."

The musical was based on the book written by Abe Burrows, Jack Weinstock and Willie Gilbert. The play was performed by an acting crew from New York City.

The musical was set in 1961 and took place at The World Wide Wicket Company in New York City. The story is about J. Pierrepont Finch, played by Jason Reiff, who led the cast as an eager window washer looking for success in the business world. He planned to do this with the help of his book "How to Succeed in Business Without Really Trying."

Following the book's instructions, Finch was able to get a job with the Wicket Company, and he eventually moved up the ladder of success without any help, aside from his little hand book and that of his personal admirer Rosemary Pinkington, played by Crystal Kachulis. Finch ends up snagging the chairman of the boards job out from under his nose.



Jennifer Meyer / Photography Director

J. Pierrepont Finch played by Jason Reiff, sings to capacity crowd Tuesday night during the performance of "How to Succeed in Business Without Really Trying." This is the first of three Encore plays that will be presented at Northwest this year.

In Brief

Angel tree lighting kicks off season

The Interfraternity and Panhellenic councils are sponsoring the first Angel Tree event which will help needy children in Nodaway County. There will be a tree lighting ceremony at 6 p.m. tonight at the Bell Tower; everyone is encouraged to take an angel from the tree. The angel will give information such as if the child is a boy or girl, favorite colors, clothing sizes and if they have any special requests for presents.

FOX show features Hickory Stick game

The Hickory Stick rivalry between Northwest and Truman State will be on the Fox Sports Network. The segment will be on a show called "NCAA Football — The Slant," which will be aired on channel 37 in Maryville.

The show will consist of football rivalries around the NCAA. The Hickory Stick is one of the longest rivalries in college football. It will air from Dec. 2-6. The schedule of the times has not been released.

University declares 'Quality' holiday

In recognition of the total team effort that the Missouri Quality Award represents, Danny Marsh, president of the Board of Regents, and the President's Cabinet have declared Nov. 26 as a "Culture of Quality" holiday. The hope is that during this day before Thanksgiving everyone will reflect on how much the University appreciates all the effort put into the University.

Senate prepares guide for students

Off-campus representatives for the Northwest Student Senate are publishing an off-campus housing guide. The guide will be distributed at spring verification Jan. 16 and 17.

The guide will include information regarding tenant rights and responsibilities, and also a list of landlord names and phone numbers.

The senators are trying to get every landlord in the guide.

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Day urges smokers to quit

Butting out

by Kevin Schultz
Chief Reporter

In an attempt to promote nonsmoking and to get active smokers to kick the habit, the Great American Smokeout will be observed today across the nation and in Maryville.

Smoking is a leading cause among cancer-related deaths over the past decade. Over 100,000 deaths occur each year as a direct result of smoking.

"This is a wonderful day," said Joyce Bottorff, nursing coordinator at Student Health Services. "Smokeout Day takes people who are aware of smoking and helps them help their friends who may be trying to quit."

The purpose is to encourage smokers to think about why they smoke. It also provides a chance for nonsmokers to help others quit.

"We already have a smoke-free environ-

ment," said Tom Adams, Maryville High School activity director. "We just continue to do what we always have and that is consistent with Smokeout Day. We believe in a healthy, holistic lifestyle."

Local schools along with St. Francis Hospital are participating in a variety of activities to heighten awareness.

"We have planned many activities to mark the day," said Twila Henry, community relations director for St. Francis Hospital. "We will have bags of hard candy for those who smoke. Hopefully this will help ease their tension and calm them down."

Also, the hospital cafeteria will be serving a "cold turkey" meal throughout the

day in honor of those trying to quit smoking for good.

"I fully support anything that anyone can do to stop or not start (smoking) in the first place."

■ Suzanne Schmaljohn,
Eugene Field Elementary
School counselor

The day is also catching the attention of the younger generation at Eugene Field Elementary School.

"This day is wonderful," said Suzanne Schmaljohn, Eugene Field Elementary School counselor. "I see so many negatives from it (smoking). I fully support anything that anyone can do to stop or not start (smoking) in the first place. The fact is that we deal with a lot of teens whose parents have cancer or other smoking-related problems and these are never good."

Go figure

• 30 percent of cancer deaths are related to smoking.
• an estimated 146,000 Americans died of lung cancer in 1992
• of the typical 1,000 smokers, fewer than 20 percent succeed in stopping on the first try
• emphysema and chronic bronchitis are 10 times more likely to occur among smokers than among nonsmokers

The American Cancer Society offers these tips for quitting:

1. Pick a Q (Quit) Day and prepare for it by thinking of the health reasons for your actions.
2. Change to a low-tar and nicotine cigarette.
3. Chart your smoking habits for at least two weeks: how many cigarettes; when, where and why you smoke.
4. Write down each night, at least 10 times, one of your reasons for not smoking cigarettes.
5. Eliminate one situation when you smoke cigarettes — morning coffee, after a meal.
6. Get a supply of substitutes: mints, gum, healthful snacks, ginger root, etc.
7. Quit on Q day — try different substitutes as the wish to smoke recurs — enlist a friend in a busy series of events; alert non-smoking friends for support. Don't give up even if you have a lapse.
8. Keep reminding yourself of the risks of smoking.

National Smokeout Day

Sources: The American Cancer Society and the National Cancer Institute
Colleen Cooke/Editorial Assistant



Tim Kay/Chief Photographer

Cast members in Maryville High School's rendition of "Bone Chiller" rehearse the first act of the play Tuesday evening. The 13 students have been practicing for the past seven weeks. They will preform at 7 p.m. Friday in the high school gymnasium. Admission to the performance is \$3 for adults and \$2 for students.

Students prepare to send 'chills'

by Stephanie Zielstra
Assistant News Editor

Maryville High School students hope to deliver a "chilling" performance Friday night.

A cast of 13 students will present at 7 p.m. the murder mystery comedy "Bone Chiller." This will be the first play of the season at the high school.

Twenty-six students tried out for the three-act play which pleased Karen Sovereign, journalism teacher and play director.

"We have a real good mix with freshmen through seniors acting in the play," Sovereign said. "Things are coming along real well. There is a lot of talent."

The students have been preparing for opening night for about seven weeks.

"The cast has been doing a super job and working really hard," Sovereign said.

Senior Cora Taylor is the student director. Taylor said she is interested in majoring in theater during college and has enjoyed the experience.

"I worked with the cast on lines, directing their acting and giving them stage direction," Taylor said. "I realize, as an actor, what they're going through, so I can help them in that way. The play has been a lot of fun to work with."

The performance centers around Josiah Travers, who requests his family and friends to go over to his house

before he dies.

The group of people, most of whom didn't know each other, were left to figure out his picture-puzzle will or rebus. Whoever figures out the rebus first will receive the money, which leads to comical situations.

The young actors have been helping each other prepare for the drama and memorize lines.

"I have had a lot of help with lines; my mom has even helped me rehearse," said freshman Shane Mullen, who plays Buzzy Burdett. "Tryouts really weren't that bad; I just gave it my all. I really wanted to get involved with acting."

The play will be in the high school gymnasium. Admission is \$3 for adults and \$2 for students.

School Board postpones awarding bid

by Mark Hornickel and JP Farris
Chief Reporters

The Maryville R-II School Board decided the numbers were still too high for the school district's building project last Thursday.

The architects and contractors started the negotiation process, and Mark Chalkey of Leo A. Daly spoke to the Board about changes that have been made in the proposed project.

District Superintendent Gary Bell said many of the changes deal with materials and supplies.

"It's hard to put an exact figure on (the cost of each material)," Bell said. "But the contractors are subcontractors who work with it and have an idea of what type of materials would work."

Bell said the Board is trying not to compromise the integrity of the educational specifications.

"I think with the reductions that we're considering now, we're really doing well at maintaining the educational specifications that we originally laid out," Bell said.

The contractors came to a potential savings of \$875,000. The current cost of the project is about \$9,322 million, which is \$122,000 over what the project should cost, Bell said.

"That puts us somewhat over budget of what we would anticipate, so we need to get it down to manageable figures," Bell said. "The problem is those reductions that some people would like to see, such as air conditioning at the elementary and at the high school. So we still have some work to do."

Depending on the financial condition of the district, Bell said there may be a possibility for additions in the future.

"Everything from the beginning of this project has been aimed at potential expansion," he said. "When you do this, you always want to leave room for things to be added at an economical cost in the future."

"You don't want to build everything in, and I think the architects have done an excellent job of looking at potential expansion. Anything that we could delay now could be

done with a reasonable amount of workmanship at a later date."

Northwest students discussed their experiences tutoring elementary students through the America Reads program at Wednesday's meeting.

Mike Thomson was honored as the Missouri Secondary School Counselor of the Year.

He also presented MMAT scores and told the Board that next year MMAT tests will be optional because the Missouri Advisory Program will be implemented.

The Driver's Education Program was approved for another year, after it was announced that it was successful and 80 of the 83 Maryville High School students passed.

The Board will meet at 6:30 p.m. tonight in the high school cafeteria.

Members will consider a negotiated bid from Leo A. Daly.

Bell said the Board would like to get some more figures and they will look at those details more specifically.

Eight more owners oppose Wabash Trail

■ Trio of defendants withdraw from lawsuit

by Toru Yamauchi
Chief Reporter

A lawsuit over land for a proposed site of the Wabash Trace Nature Trail through Maryville heated up recently when three defendants withdrew from the suit, and eight more local landowners joined the plaintiff.

Three defending railroad companies — Norfolk Southern Corp., Norfolk Southern Railway Co., Norfolk and Western Railway Corp. — responded to a summons saying they do not have any interest in the proposed site of the land because they gave it away with quitclaim deed, an unguaranteed property title, to the Missouri Friends of the Wabash Trace Nature Trail, Inc., plaintiffs' attorney Rochelle Ecker said.

While the number of defendants was reduced to two, the Friends of Wabash and Maryville, an additional eight owners joined the preceding petition of Harvey "Bud" Williams, owner of H.D.W. Enterprises, Inc., to the Circuit Court of Nodaway County Division I.

Williams began the lawsuit early last month, saying a portion of the trail actually belongs to him and other adjacent landowners to the trail have the same argument.

"They (the Friends of the Wabash and Maryville) want to take the land from us," plaintiff Ralph Archer said. "And the Missouri Constitution says when the railroad was abandoned (in 1988), the land will go back to people who owned the land before. That's why I'm fighting. If I didn't think I owned it, I wouldn't have been fighting."

The Friends of Wabash responded to the summons by saying it will fight over the land, Ecker said.

Jerry Drake, attorney for the Wabash group, said he cannot comment about the lawsuit.

Although Maryville has not re-

sponded to the summons, the deadline is Nov. 30, said David Baird, Nodaway County prosecuting attorney, who is serving as the attorney for Maryville in the suit.

Baird said although he cannot comment about the lawsuit, he will file the response to the summons to the court by the end of November.

The issue started in 1995 when the Friends of Wabash purchased the old railroad trail through a quitclaim deed from the railroad company. Maryville became involved when it bought the portion of the land from the Friends of Wabash in February.

Ecker said although the lawsuit is just beginning, she is satisfied with it.

"We're pleased with the way things are going," Ecker said. "But it will take time."

Williams said this is also the battle for other people living in Maryville.

"The public and students need to know we do live in a democracy," she said. "And they (the Friends of Wabash and Maryville) can't just come in and take your property without good reasons."

Another reason the plaintiffs were fighting against the creation of nature trail is the possibility that it could become a place for negative activities.

"Everybody living with the railroad track, they don't want to have a dump and drug-related incidents," Williams said. "And the Maryville police force doesn't have enough police to enforce security."

Williams said another eight adjacent landowners to the trail plan to join his lawsuit, but the names have not been released.

Along with the lawsuit in Nodaway County, a suit involving Danny Moore, primary litigant against the nature trail in Atchison County, is waiting for the Friends of Wabash to file a motion for the summary judgment. The deadline for the motion was postponed to Dec. 8, Ecker said.

Farm

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and community service.

The Wilmes family began farming in 1960 and have been doing it for almost 40 years. Raymond and Roberta have been married for 35 years and have five children.

Their children have been outstanding in service acts and farming as well.

"They began small and then grew to a larger farm," Jewell said. "They now have trimmed back to spend more time on their hobbies."

Roberta Wilmes was surprised when they announced her family as the winner. She was not expecting

to win because of the other nominations and competition they were going against.

"It is quite an honor and we are still shocked," Wilmes said. "We are thankful because things does not always come in life that are unexpected."

Along with farm family, awards were given for outstanding farm youth to Melanie Acklin and outstanding farm woman to Chelyn Lager.

Hale Sanders, Parnell, was inducted into the Nodaway County Agriculture Hall of Fame. Sanders was recognized for his outstanding dedication and strong ambition in farming.

In Brief

Company merges with competition

Roosevelt Bank was purchased by Mercantile Bancorporation, and all Roosevelt accounts were transferred to Mercantile accounts Monday.

The merger will create about 500 additional locations throughout Missouri, Illinois, Kansas, Iowa and Arkansas.

Mercantile will continue many of Roosevelt's services such as Roosevelt's free checking account, bill payments by phone and check cards.

Customers are able to pay their bills by a phone call. They can pay an unlimited number of merchant accounts and arrange for automatic recurring payments.

Both ATM and check cards allow customers to withdraw cash, check a balance, transfer funds and make deposits.

For their convenience, customers may also use ATM cards at any Mercantile location without having to pay a fee.

Chamber decorates park for holidays

Franklin Park will become a "Winter Wonderland" this season at 10 a.m. Saturday. The Maryville Chamber of Commerce will decorate the park with Christmas lights.

Anyone interested is invited to come participate. Refreshments will be offered for all volunteers.

Event highlights seasonal shopping

Maryville businesses are ready to kick off the annual citywide Holiday Open House. This year's event will be from noon to 4 p.m. Sunday.

Employees of local businesses will be dressed up to start the holiday shopping season. Customers can browse the stores and see what merchandise they offer. Some businesses will also be serving refreshments.

Club's blood drive attracts donors

A bloodmobile sponsored by the Business and Professional Women Club Nov. 13 was at the First United Methodist Church. The bloodmobile had nearly 200 participants.

Fifty-seven people were announced as "Friends 4 Life," and presented a T-shirt or mug. A "Friend 4 Life" is a person who has donated blood four times in one year.

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Public Safety

November 8

■ While an officer was on patrol in the 900 block of South Main Street, he observed a vehicle run off the roadway and returned onto the roadway. The vehicle was stopped and while talking with the driver, Cecil R. Green, 32, Maryville, an odor of intoxicants was detected. He was asked to perform a field sobriety test which he could not complete successfully. He was arrested on charges of driving while intoxicated after his blood alcohol content tested over the legal limit. He was also issued a citation for leaving the roadway.

■ An officer took a report from a local business that a male subject had left without paying for gasoline. Estimated value was \$10.01.

■ While on patrol in the 700 block of North Filmore Street, an officer observed female subjects walking and carrying alcoholic beverages. When two of the subjects observed the officer, they sat the alcohol on the ground and started to walk away. They were stopped and identified as Jennifer S. Curry, 19, Maryville, and Renee L. Dalton, 20, Kansas City. They were both issued summons for minor in possession and littering.

■ The vehicles of Shanelle A. Jackson, Barnard, Merel D. Poppa, Maryville, and Chad J. Legate, Maryville, were southbound on U.S. 71. Legate was stopped in traffic and Poppa was slowing down. Jackson pulled from Summit Drive onto 71 and struck Poppa in the rear causing him to strike Legate in the rear. A citation was issued to Jackson for failure to exercise.

November 9

■ A Maryville male reported to an officer that he had been assaulted by another male in the 400 block of North Buchanan Street.

■ An officer issued a summons for affray following an incident in the 1100 block of South Main Street to the following people: Jeffrey T. Peve, 34, St. Joseph; Chad A. Powell, 21, Stewartsville; Kelly A. Sunken, 18; and Erin M. Douglass, 18, both of Maryville.

■ A bicycle was recovered from the 400 block of East Second Street.

Another bicycle was recovered from the 400 block of Lawn Avenue.

November 10

■ A Maryville female reported to an officer that while her vehicle was parked at her residence, it appeared that someone jumped on the hood causing a huge dent.

■ Charles R. Cousins, Griswold, Iowa, was westbound on 16th Street. While attempting to make a turn, he turned in front of the vehicle of Laura J. Lambert, Maryville, who was eastbound on 16th Street. A citation was issued to Cousins for careless and imprudent driving.

■ Fire units responded to a residence north of Maryville on a complaint of an odor of gas. Upon arrival, a gas smell was detected near the furnace. The owners were advised to have someone check the furnace.

■ An officer took a report from a Maryville female who said she was being harassed by a male subject.

■ Fire units responded to the 600 block of South Main Street on a fire call. Upon arrival, no fire was showing and after checking the building, it was determined there was a problem with the furnace.

November 11

■ An officer took a report from a Maryville male who said he has been receiving harassing phone calls.

■ A nine-year-old Maryville male was referred to the juvenile officer following an incident in the 200 block of East Second Street in which he caused a disturbance.

■ An officer arrested April S. Runnels, 22, Albany, on charges of larceny following an incident at a local business in which a carton of cigarettes, video tape and activity magnets were taken without being paid for. Estimated value was \$35.40. She was released after posting bond.

■ The vehicle of Della M. Owens, Maryville, was northbound on Munn Street and pulled into traffic from a posted stop sign and struck the vehicle of Lori A. Mardis, Maryville, who was westbound on First Street. A citation was issued to Owens for failure to yield.

■ The vehicle of Marvin E. Turner Jr., Stanberry, was eastbound on Sixth Street and pulled into traffic from a posted stop sign and struck the vehicle of Jane A. Poe, who was southbound on Market Street. A citation was issued to Turner for failure to yield.

November 12

■ While a vehicle of the Amoco Corporation, Chicago, was parked, it was struck by the vehicle of Amber A. Vanwyk, Maryville, who left the scene. After receiving the license plate number and description of Vanwyk's vehicle, it was later located. A citation was issued to Vanwyk for careless and imprudent driving and leaving the scene of an accident.

■ An officer was serving a Maryville Municipal Court warrant for failure to appear to Terry A. Troncin, 19, Hopkins, when the officers observed Troncin throw an object on the ground. Upon retrieval of the item, it was determined to be a bag containing a green leafy substance which tested positive for marijuana. He is being held pending charges.

November 13

■ An officer took a report from a local business that they were missing a blue Bluejet Anhydrous Applicator with 11 knives.

■ A Maryville female reported to an officer that her house had been shot at with paintballs damaging a window screen.

■ An officer took a report from a Maryville male who said his residence was shot at with paintballs causing paint splatters on the front of the residence.

■ A Maryville male reported he discovered paint splatters from paintballs on the siding of his residence and the garage door. One paintball had damaged the siding leaving a small indentation.

■ The vehicle of Tabetha A. Verbick, Maryville, was northbound on Main Street. She said she fell asleep and left the roadway striking a light pole. Verbick received probable but not apparent injuries. No citations were issued.

November 14

■ A Maryville female reported to an officer the theft of her 1990 Pontiac Grand Am from her residence. The vehicle was locked but had a spare set of keys in it. After receiving the report, it was determined the vehicle had been recovered on campus where it had been involved in a damage to campus property.

■ An officer took a report from a local business that a window had been broken out. It appeared it had been kicked in. Nothing was found to be missing.

■ An officer took a report of two mailboxes being damaged. It appeared that they had been hit by a vehicle.

■ A Ravenwood male reported that while driving in town he was followed by another vehicle. While stopped at a stop light, he was struck in the rear by the vehicle. The case was referred to the prosecutor.

■ An officer took a report of a window of a local business being broken. A sign hanging in the window had also been broken.

November 15

■ A Maryville female reported that while her vehicle was parked in the 400 block of North Buchanan Street, the passenger-side window was broken. Nothing was found missing.

■ A fire unit responded to the 700 block of West Torrance Street on a telephone call for service. The owner stated her oven had made a popping sound. Upon investigation, no fire or smoke was found and it was determined the heating element had malfunctioned.

■ The vehicles of Jami M. Anderson, Maryville, and Travis L. Foy, Sidney, Ohio, were southbound on Main Street. Foy was slowing down to make a turn when his vehicle was struck in the rear by Anderson. A citation was issued to Anderson for careless and imprudent driving.

November 16

■ An officer served a Municipal Court warrant for failure to appear to Anthony R. Maxwell, 18,

Maryville. He is being held for bond.

■ The vehicle of Christopher G. Blum, Maryville, was southbound on Main Street and the vehicle of Nyree D. Brown, Maryville, was northbound on Main Street. Brown attempted to make a turn and her vehicle was struck by Blum.

November 17

■ Following an incident in the 100 block of North Davis Street, an officer issued a summons to Robert L. Sturm, 21, Maryville, on charges of assault.

Campus Safety

November 7

■ Campus Safety received a complaint of individuals throwing trash from a building on campus. Forty summons to the vice president of student affairs was issued for littering.

November 8

■ Campus Safety received a report from a staff member concerning fraternity hazing. An investigation was initiated.

November 9

■ A student reported receiving harassing phone messages. An investigation was initiated.

November 10

■ A staff member reported vandalism to a bathroom in a building on campus. An investigation was initiated.

■ A student reported receiving harassing messages over the computer system. The offender was located and issued a warning for behavior.

November 11

■ Campus Safety responded to a fire alarm in a building on campus. The alarm was unfounded.

■ Campus Safety responded to a medical emergency in a building on campus. The patient was assisted by emergency medical services and was transported to St. Francis Hospital.

November 13

■ Campus Safety investigated a report of a stolen vehicle on campus. Information was gathered, and the victim later informed Campus Safety that the report was falsified. The report was forwarded to the Prosecutor's office.

■ Campus Safety investigated a possible littering/disorderly conduct at a building on campus. The offender was unable to be located. An investigation was initiated.

■ Campus Safety investigated a stolen motor vehicle involved in damaging University property. Suspects were located and interviewed by Maryville Public Safety.

November 14

■ A student reported receiving harassing phone calls. An investigation was initiated.

Obituaries

J Darell Quinn

J Darell Quinn, 85, Maryville, died Nov. 10 at Parkdale Manor Nursing Home in Maryville.

He was born March 19, 1912, to Rosa Lee and Jimmy Dick Quinn in Gentry.

Survivors include his wife, one son; and two nieces.

Services were Nov. 13 at the Price Funeral Home Chapel in Maryville.

Bernice Stafford

Bernice Stafford, 94, died Nov. 12 at Heritage Health Care Center in Gering, Neb.

She was born Nov. 5, 1903, to Francis Perry and Gertrude Maude Holt in Bushnell, Ill.

Survivors include one daughter; six grandchildren; and 17 great-grandchildren.

Services were Nov. 15 at the Price Funeral Home Chapel in Maryville.

New Arrivals

Cheyenne Irene Cowan

Brenda Link and Scott Cowan, Sheridan, are the parents of Cheyenne Irene, born Nov. 4 at St. Francis Hospital in Maryville.

She weighed 9 pounds and 4 ounces and joins two sisters and four brothers.

Grandparents are Larry and Joanne Gheens, Salisbury, and June Cowan, Elmo.

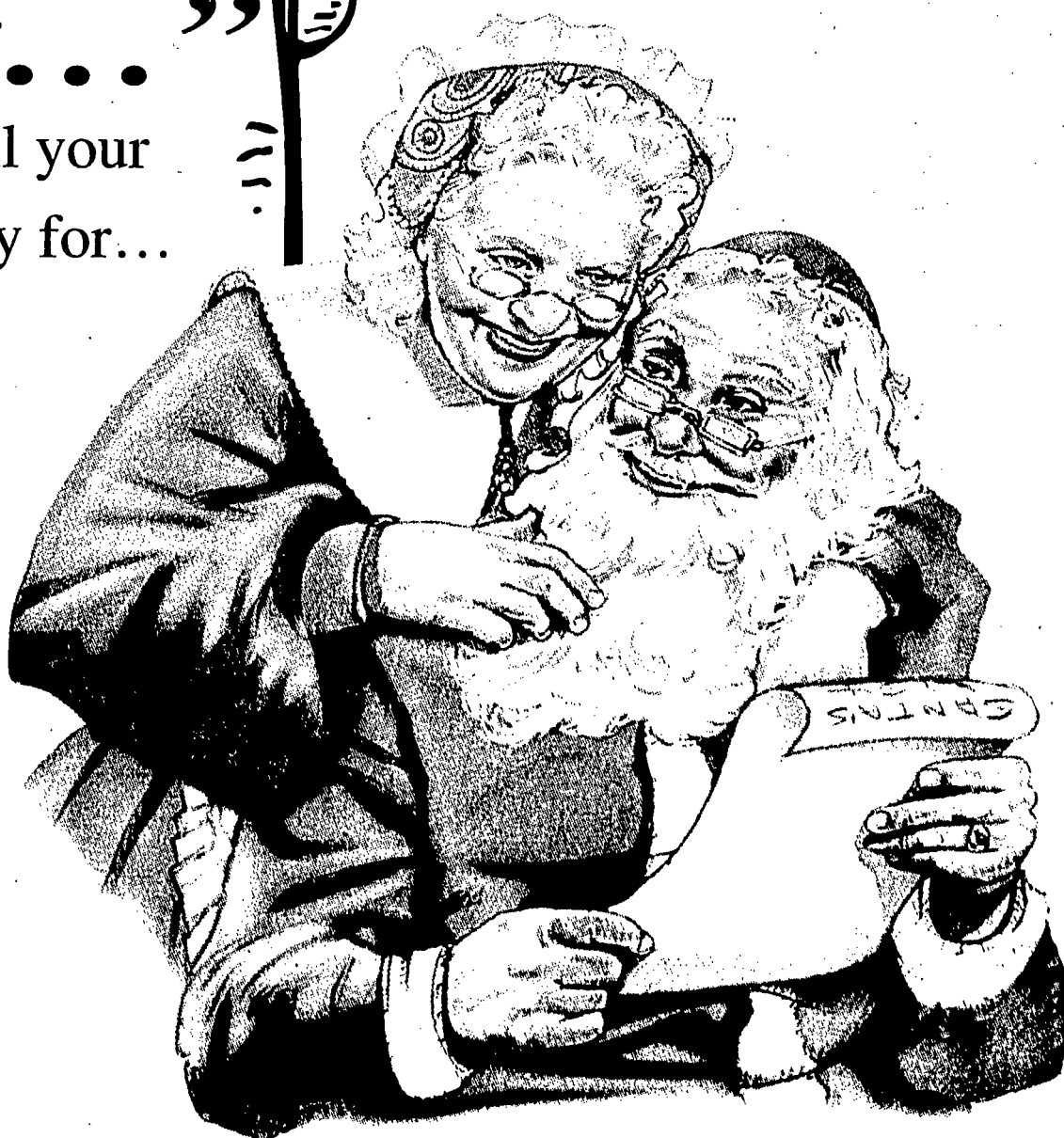
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Bearcats vs. Bison

Northwest, North Dakota State will wage playoff war



Junior quarterback Chris Grelsen drops back to pass in Saturday's triumph over Emporia State, 44-38. Northwest clinched their second straight MIAA title with the win. The 'Cats focus is on

the NCAA Division II playoffs and North Dakota State. If the Bearcats fans provide a sellout crowd and the 'Cats nip the Bison, another home playoff game is likely.

B.J. Linnenbrink/Contributing photographer

No. 3 'Cats begin march to Alabama

by Colin McDonough
Managing Editor

It is sudden death — a do or die situation, but the second season is what the Bearcats have fought for all year.

It all boils down to this as the Bearcats play host to the North Dakota State University Bison Saturday. It marks the first-ever home playoff game at Northwest with the kickoff slated for noon.

"Now, it's just a matter of taking care of business each week because it's a whole new situation," head coach Mel Tjeerdsma said. "We're in sudden death now — lose and it's over."

The Bison enter the contest with a mark of 9-2 and a record of 7-2 in the North Central Conference. Northwest brings a mark of 11-0, including a perfect 9-0 mark in the MIAA. The 'Cats are ranked No. 3 in the nation while the Bison are No. 16.

Bob Babich, North Dakota State head coach, said he thinks both squads will come ready to play in the postseason.

"(Northwest) players are excited and confident as are our players," Babich said. "It's the second season now, and there is no time for mental letdowns or lack of execution when you play this game."

Seating info:

Bearcat fans looking to attend Saturday's game need to remember not to sit between the 30-yard lines on the west side of Rickenbrode Stadium. Those seats are reserved for North Dakota State fans.

Fans should arrive at the game early to gain seats. There will be standing-room-only sections in the north and south end zones.

Tjeerdsma said there will be a few factors riding on Saturday's game.

"Turnovers will be a real key," he said. "Along with mistakes and penalties. We've had a little problem with that, and I think that's something we're going to have to eliminate. If our offense can do their job, score some points and not turn the ball over — I think we'll be in good shape."

The game will come down to a battle on defense, Tjeerdsma said.

"You know when you have two very good defensive teams like we have, then it becomes which offense continues to execute and do things right and which team makes the mistakes," Tjeerdsma said.

The strength of the Bison is evi-

dent in the numbers.

"I would call them a defensive football team," Tjeerdsma said. "Statistically they rank right up there in the country. They rank No. 1 in turnover margin."

Jake Morris, senior running back for the Bison, has rushed for 1,710 yards and 15 touchdowns this season.

"He's a little different than anybody we've seen," Tjeerdsma said. "He might be faster than anybody we've played. If he can get around the corner, he's pretty tough to catch."

Although Babich has only watched the Bearcats on videotape, he thinks they are very impressive.

"They are a very athletic team and an excellent team that has a very productive offense," Babich said. "Defensively, they are as good athletically as we have seen all year. Anytime you go 11-0, you've got a pretty good football team."

Dave Purnell, sophomore placekicker/punter, said the 'Cats have to put their perfect season behind them and focus on the present task at hand.

"Basically, we're 11-0, and we have to scratch that off our minds," Purnell said. "We are just going to have to take it like another home game and do our best."

Northwest schedule

@Midwestern State, 52-14	W
@Wayne State, 57-7	W
Missouri Southern, 31-26	W
Missouri Western, 52-13	W
Washburn, 17-14	W
Missouri-Rolla, 38-3	W
Southwest Baptist, 59-3	W
Pittsburg State, 15-14	W
Central Missouri State, 41-9	W
Truman State, 34-10	W
@Emporia State, 44-38	L

Bold games are MIAA games.

NDSU schedule

West Georgia State, 31-14	W
Texas A&M-Commerce, 51-0	W
Nebraska-Omaha, 21-27	L
Augustana, 37-0	W
@Northern Colorado, 28-24	W
Morningside, 35-0	W
@North Dakota, 31-10	W
@South Dakota State, 27-34	L
St. Cloud State, 31-0	W
@Mankato State, 47-20	W
@South Dakota, 24-21 OT	W

Bold games are NCC games.

'Cats shatter 20 records on way to perfect season

Marks are falling at a record pace this season for the Bearcats as they roll into the NCAA Division II playoffs Saturday.

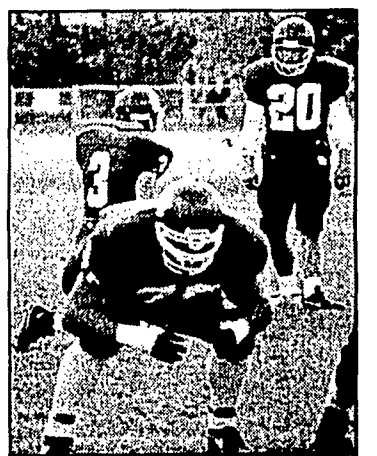
The 'Cats have set or tied 20 team or individual records this season including points scored with 440 and most wins with 11.

Dave Purnell, sophomore placekicker/punter set six records for the Bearcats including: most points by kicker (96), most PATs attempted in a season (56), most PATs attempted in a career (95), most field goals in a game (3), most field goals in a season (14) and highest field goal percentage in a season (.875, 14-16).

"It's a very big honor," Purnell said. "You really don't hear that much about a kicker on a winning football team. It's a big honor, and I'm very proud of it. I couldn't have done it without (junior safety Brian) Sutton and the offensive line."

The 'Cats set the team record for points scored in a season, and head coach Mel Tjeerdsma said it is an impressive statistic.

"It says a lot about our team," Tjeerdsma said. "We can score a lot of points, and we rolled up a lot of offense."



Jennifer Meyer/Photography Director
Sophomore kicker Dave Purnell lines up to attempt a kick.

Team records

Most victories in season — 11
Win-loss percentage — 1.000
Season scoring — 440
Highest scoring average — 40.0
Most TDs scored — 57
Most PATs kicked — 56
Most field goals made — 14
Season total offense — 4,554
Total offense/game — 414.0
Highest avg./pass attempt — 8.7

Lineman earns spot in Snow Bowl

The team aspect is showing once again for the football squad.

Josh Baker, senior offensive tackle, earned a trip to the Snow Bowl, a Division II all-star game Jan. 10, in the FargoDome in Fargo, N.D.

Baker said it is great to receive the honor, but he has other ideas at this point.

"My heart's in the team, and the playoffs are more important," Baker said. "I'd rather be playing

for a national championship. But this is just icing on the cake."

Head coach Mel Tjeerdsma said he is not surprised to hear Baker's reaction to earning a spot.

"That's the great thing about our football team," Tjeerdsma said. "We always treat team first, and it is something that is after the season is over for him to enjoy."

Players are nominated by coaches who turn in a list to a committee that evaluate the players.

Statistical comparison

Northwest	North Dakota State
Grelsen - 2,456 yards, 23 TD, 7 INT	Feeney - 1,321 yards, 16 TD, 7 INT
Lane - 112.737 yards, 11 TD	Morris - 280-1,710 yards, 15 TD
Hanson - 30 catches, 475 yards	Strehlow - 32 catches 585 yards
Lane, Purnell - 96 points	Morris - 90 points
Crowe - 124 tackles, 5.5 sacks	Fredricks - 128 tackles, 1 sack
Sutton, Nelson - 3 INT	McKinnon, Swanson - 4 INT
414 yards total offense	401 yards total offense
248.8 yards total defense	274.1 yards total defense
440 points, 40.0 ppg	363 points, 33.0 ppg
151 points, 13.7 ppg	150 points, 13.6 ppg
51 (Buckwalter 6, Knutson 6)	30 (Steffen 7)
14 (24 gained, 20 lost)	22 (35 gained, 13 lost)

Starting lineups

OFFENSE	DEFENSE
Northwest	North Dakota State
14 C. Grelsen	QB 19 K. Feeney
1 C. Pugh	RB 25 J. Morris
39 K. Evans	FB 36 M. Roller
88 M. Becker	TE 84 B. Vaden
79 J. Baker	G 61 S. Markell
72 C. Thompson	G 74 L. Samuel
51 S. Coppinger	C 54 C. Simmers
58 A. Erpelding	T 73 J. Boumann
75 A. Dorrel	T 65 J. Serchenko
21 W. Hanson	WR 80 T. Strehlow
10 T. Miles	WR 21 N. Zezza
20 D. Purnell	PR 18 K. Johnson
53 A. Becker	LS 90 K. Greger
3 B. Sutton	H 4 G. Schaefer
20 D. Purnell	P 11 J. Torrance
	Northwest
	87 A. Buckwalter
	53 A. Becker
	93 M. Voge
	92 C. Sidwell
	41 D. Combs
	7 A. Crowe
	31 K. Singletary
	23 B. Young
	8 A. Skvoren
	25 B. Nelson
	12 D. Keys
	25 B. Nelson
	10 T. Miles
	19 M. Lawson
	1 C. Pugh
	21 N. Zezza

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Gridiron comparison: Who's the best of the best? Here's a look at Northwest's stellar squads from '96, '97



Rob J. Brown

The Bearcat football program, the University and Maryville have enjoyed success the past two years, touting two MIAA conference championships and playoff-bound teams. Despite their obvious similarities, these two squads carry different abilities and playing styles. As a sports writer and fan of the Bearcats, I have had the opportunity to take an in-depth look at both the 1996 and '97 squads. Listed below is a commentary comparing each section of the two teams. My pick of the better area is marked by a check mark.

Overall, I do believe this year's team is better and possibly the best in the 82 years of Bearcat football. The few mistakes the '96 team made, this year's crew has learned from them and hopes and better its '96 campaign.

Despite the on-the-field talents of the '97

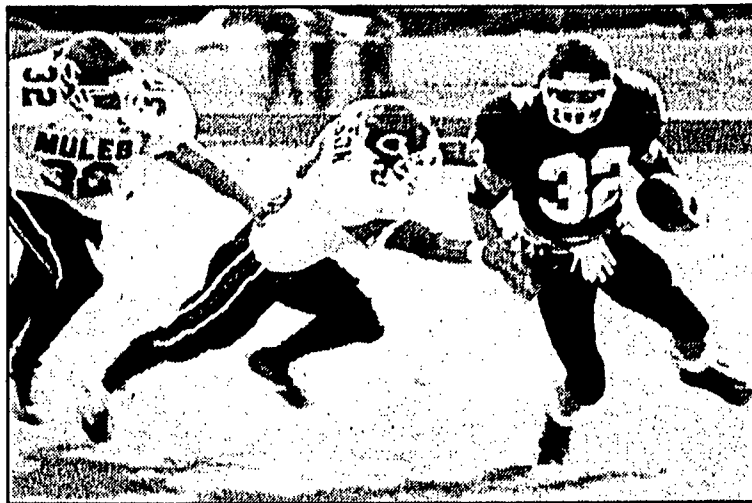
squad, its strength is in leadership. Captains Matt Becker, Dante Combs, Adam Dorrel and Chris Greisen have taken note from head coach Mel Tjeerdsma and molded its team for success.

I hope their success leads to Florence, Ala., the site for the Division II football championship, but the road ahead is long and treacherous.

The playoffs are the start of a whole new season; 11-0 is thrown out the window — one loss and you're going home. So let's keep our eyes set on slaughtering the Bison of North Dakota State Saturday and take one game at a time.

It has always been my motto to get out of the past and live in the now, but I thought I'd offer a bit of opinion comparing these two powerhouse 'Cat squads.

Rob J. Brown is a staff member of the Northwest Missourian.



Junior A-back Derek Lane races past two Central Missouri State defenders. Lane has been an intricate player in both the 1996 and '97 MIAA conference champion Bearcat football teams.

1996 Bearcat starters

Offense:

QB - **Greg Teale** - first team all-MIAA; second team all-Midwest region
B-back - **Kraig Evans**
A-back - **Jesse Haynes** - second team all-MIAA, all-Midwest region
TE - **Matt Becker** - second team all-MIAA
WR - **Jason Melnick** - second team all-MIAA
WR - **Mark Servé**
T - **Matt Gilbert**
C - **Cal Coppinger**
G - **Steve Coppinger**
G - **Adam Dorrel** - second team all-MIAA
T - **Josh Baker**

Defense:

DE - **Kirk Larson**
NG - **Andy Hoggatt**
DT - **Ambrows Moreland** - second team all-MIAA
DE - **Matt Uhde** - first team all-MIAA, all-Midwest region; CoSIDA, AP, AFCA first team all-American
OLB - **Dante Combs**
MLB - **Ken Gordon** - first team all-MIAA
OLB - **Damon Dorris**
C - **Bobby Nelson**
FS - **Brian Sutton** - second team all-MIAA, all-Midwest region
SS - **Malcolm LeBlanc**
C - **Twan Young** - first team all-MIAA

Special teams:

KR - **Mark Servé**
KR - **Bobby Nelson**
PR - **Jason Melnick** - second team all-MIAA returner
P - **Shane Gladin**
K - **Jamie Hazen/David Purnell**

1997 Bearcat starters

Offense:

QB - **Chris Greisen** - first team all-MIAA
B-back - **Kraig Evans**
A-back - **Derek Lane/Charlie Pugh** - Lane is the 10th leading scorer in nation
TE - **Matt Becker** - first team all-MIAA
WR - **Willie Cohen/Scott Courter/Tony Miles** - trio has scored 11 touchdowns
WR - **Wade Hanson** - two 100-plus yard receiving games
T - **Andy Erpelding**
G - **Josh Baker** - second team all-MIAA
C - **Steve Coppinger** - first team all-MIAA
G - **Chad Thompson**
T - **Adam Dorrel** - first team all-MIAA

Defense:

DE - **Cole Sidwell**
NG - **Matt Voge**
DT - **Aaron Becker** - first team all-MIAA
DE - **Alan Buckwalter** - second team all-MIAA
OLB - **Dante Combs** - second team all-MIAA
MLB - **Aaron Crowe** - first team all-MIAA
OLB - **Kevin Singletary**
CB - **Bobby Nelson** - first team all-MIAA
FS - **Brian Sutton** - first team all-MIAA
SS - **Daniel Keys**
CB - **Twan Young** - first team all-MIAA

Special teams:

KR - **Charlie Pugh** - second in nation in returns, first team all-MIAA
KR - **Tony Miles/Maleeke Lawson**
PR - **Bobby Nelson/Tony Miles**
K/P - **David Purnell** - nation's leader in kicking accuracy, second team all-MIAA

MIAA co-champions, roster contained 1 all-American, member of NFL, 11-2

'96

VS.

'97

Outright MIAA champions, holder of 10 team school records, 11-0

'96

Quarterback

'97

It's extremely hard to knock a guy who owns 17 Northwest school passing records, but I am going to. Last year's quarterback **Greg Teale** was a dominant playmaker and one of the key leaders that carried the Bearcats to the playoffs, but **Chris Greisen** is the real deal. There is no doubt Teale owns Greisen in the speed department, but that's where Teale's advantage over Greisen ends. Greisen has met and exceeded every expectation put on him this year. His zipping, pin-point passes and composure in the pocket make me smile every Saturday. To the credit of Teale, a four-year starter, Greisen has one of the best offensive lines in the nation. He doesn't get tossed around like a ragdoll as Teale did during the '94 and '95 seasons. Also Greisen's big hands allow him to grasp the ball with ease. I believe that played a major factor during the monsoon-type weather in the victory over Pittsburg State and could be an asset during the frigid playoffs.

'96

Defensive line

'97

Comparing the '96 and '97 defensive lines is like night and day, but both have been equally effective. The current performers prove that speed is as superior to strength on the defensive line. Last year's group, led by **Kirk Larson**, **Ambrows Moreland** and all-everything **Matt Udhe** used power to bull-rush opponents. Although smaller in size, this year's group has used its quickness to better contain the run and add pressure to opposing quarterbacks. The '97 crew also has racked up more sacks than the '96 behemoths — 51 to be exact. Guys like **Cole Sidwell**, **Alan Buckwalter**, **Matt Voge**, **Aaron Becker** and reserve **Josh "K-nuts" Knutson** have shut any mouths of preseason doubters. With K-nuts and **Buckwalter** battling each week as team sack leaders, they have equaled Udhe's dominance of MIAA offensive linemen. One of the best things about the '97 starting crew is they're all sophomores. Yes Bearcat fans, you'll be seeing those names for two more years.

'96

Offensive line

'97

This is one area that gave me no trouble to make a judgment. The '97 line is undoubtedly the better of the two and quite possibly the best in the history of Bearcat football. The '97 crew does not rely on pure brawn to out play the opposition it uses its smarts. Despite **Josh Baker** and **Chad Thompson**, both 6'3" 300-plus pounds, the other three, **Adam Dorrel**, **Steve Coppinger** and **Andy Erpelding** are undersized as far as college linemen go, but they don't allow size to beat them. Led by Dorrel, this line depends on preparation and technique to pound and contain their opponents week in and week out. The group's unity and drive have made it the heart and soul of the '97 team.

'96

Linebackers

'97

The '97 corp has blended size, speed and tackling perfection to ignite the 'Cat wrecking crew defense. In '96 the defense was a bit soft on the run and in '97 the defense is allowing only 119.9 yards per game rushing. That stat is because of the athleticism and execution of **Dante Combs**, **Aaron Crowe** and **Kevin Singletary**. The trio has combined for 294 tackles while also offering some nimble coverage in the secondary. **Ken Gordon**, '96 first team all-MIAA middle linebacker, was a big loss last year, but you couldn't ask for better replacements than Singletary and Crowe. The '97 starters, coupled with break-out reserves **Wes Simmons**, **Jason Smith** and **Wayland Vacek**, have put no doubt in my mind that they are the best linebacking corp in the MIAA.

'96

Running Backs

'97

Current Kansas City Chief and last year's Bearcat offensive most valuable player, **Jesse Haynes**, is one of the best running backs ever to strap on Bearcat green and white. Haynes, who rushed for a school record 1,453 yards last season, was the workhorse of the '96 offense that averaged nearly 50 more yards per game rushing than this year's squad. Current A-back **Derek "Night Train" Lane** is no slouch though. He was on pace to break Haynes' school record of 17 touchdowns in a season, but Lane suffered a separated shoulder three weeks ago. Luckily he will be back in action this week. **Charlie Pugh** and **David "The Ignitor" Jansen** have also contributed this year giving Northwest a three-headed rushing monster.

There has been no slack this year at B-back, because of the return of **Kraig Evans**. He has continued his rocking of defenses with his superb blocking and kept defenses guessing, showing his running proficiency this year.

'96

Secondary

'97

It is not that the '97 group is less talented, and it may be because of the improvement of this year's linebackers, but I have to give the nod to the '96 secondary.

Only one starter was lost from last year's crew, but has been replaced well by **Daniel Keys** and **David Carlson**. With three of the four secondary starters gaining first team all-MIAA honors, including **Brian Sutton**, **Twan Young** and **Bobby Nelson**, the '97 group as definitely been lickin' and pickin' offenses the entire year.

But, so many times during the '96 season the secondary saved some Bearcat butt. The secondary tallied more tackles than both the linebackers and defensive line. And a safety shouldn't be leading the team in tackles (Sutton led with 129).

Graduating from Maryville High School, I was able to play and watch **Brian Sutton** on the football field. When the guy began playing on the Bearcat football team, some Spoofhound grads snickered at his skills to play college ball. He not only has proven he can play, his gives bone-crushing tackles and covers quite nicely; the guy has made me a believer. Let me just say that I am now a proud member of the **Brian Sutton** bandwagon.

'96

Wide receivers

'97

This was a tough area to decide, but at this point the '96 receiving corp, of **Mark Servé**, **Jason Melnick** and **Chris Zeller** is tops. They get the nod because their senior experience and sure hands.

This year's seniors, **Wade Hanson**, **Matt Becker** and **Nick Inzerello**, have shown skills, given leadership and shared game-time ins and outs with the young talents of the '97 group. The '97 crew has mass abilities and with **Tony Miles**, **Scott Courter**, **Steve Comer**, **J.R. Hill** and **Ryan George** all with at least two more years left. The future of Bearcat receivers will crank up the highlight films. Sidebar note: with a healthy **Willie Cohen** in the lineup, the current receivers could edge the '96 corp. Cohen showed me earlier this year that he is a premier big-time hands man and hopefully he'll return good as new next year.

'96

Special teams

'97

The crazy punt return abilities of **Jason Melnick** and **Twan Young** and **Mark Servé's** punt/kick blocking skills gave the '96 team a reason to look forward to special teams play. Although it is excellent in different areas, the '97 squad hasn't skipped a beat.

David Purnell's kicking has been money in the bank, and **Charlie Pugh** is able to use his darting quickness to open the field on kickoff returns. **Tony Miles** could prove to be better than Melnick in the long run, as shown in his 84-yard return against Southwest Baptist University. Also **Greg Bonnett** and **Brian Williams** have paralleled **Alan Buckwalter's** performances last year on lost off coverage, offering bone-crushing hits to returnmen around the league.

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Bearcat offensive line

Through thick and thin



Adam Dorrel



Chad Thompson



Steve Coppinger



Josh Baker



Andy Erpelding

Trenchmen receive little praise for dirty work, maintain family unity

By Rob J. Brown
Missourian Staff

As branches of a giant oak must start with a solid trunk, typically a championship caliber team begins with a strong offensive line.

The 'Cats have rolled to an 11-0 regular season. Much of that success is because of starting offensive linemen Josh Baker, Steve Coppinger, Adam Dorrel, Andy Erpelding and Chad Thompson, quarterback Chris Greisen said.

Erpelding said through off-season workouts and on and off the field camaraderie, being a Bearcat offensive linemen is nothing but fun.

"We've got a great bunch of guys here," Erpelding said. "We're a close knit group — like a family. That gives us an advantage come game day."

Coppinger said the linemen have a code of family and follow the "I've got your back if you've got mine" motto.

"We're like five brothers out there, and we'll kick a brother's butt if he needs it, but we'll celebrate together too," Coppinger said.

Thompson said an O-lineman's performance is key for a team's success.

"If people want to see the importance of an offensive line just go back and look at film of the 0-11 year," Thompson said. "If the O-line isn't there, the offense is not going to get started — it all starts with us. If you miss a block or something, there goes the play."

With the pressure the group receives from coaches, teammates and fans it is sometimes difficult, Thompson said.

"If something goes wrong all the fingers are pointed at the O-line," Thompson said. "It always falls back

on our shoulders."

Dorrel, who started as a freshman in 1994 during the 0-11 year, said the team and offensive line have made an incredible turnaround since then.

"The difference between my freshman year and now is certainly the togetherness and family attitude," Dorrel said. "When I played back then the guys didn't communicate. They didn't care. They were in it for themselves."

"When I came here it was basically the threshold of hell," Dorrel said. "It's fun to see all of these guys work their butts off and be committed for a cause — winning. It's like planting a tree and seeing it grow. Now, we're really starting to see the rewards."

Coppinger said because fans' eyes are drawn to the ball, the line's performance sometimes are lost in the shuffle.

"I think we're the comedy of the team," Coppinger said. "We're always going to have fun and we're all laid back. We're not catching the football or scoring touchdowns, so we have fun in our own way."

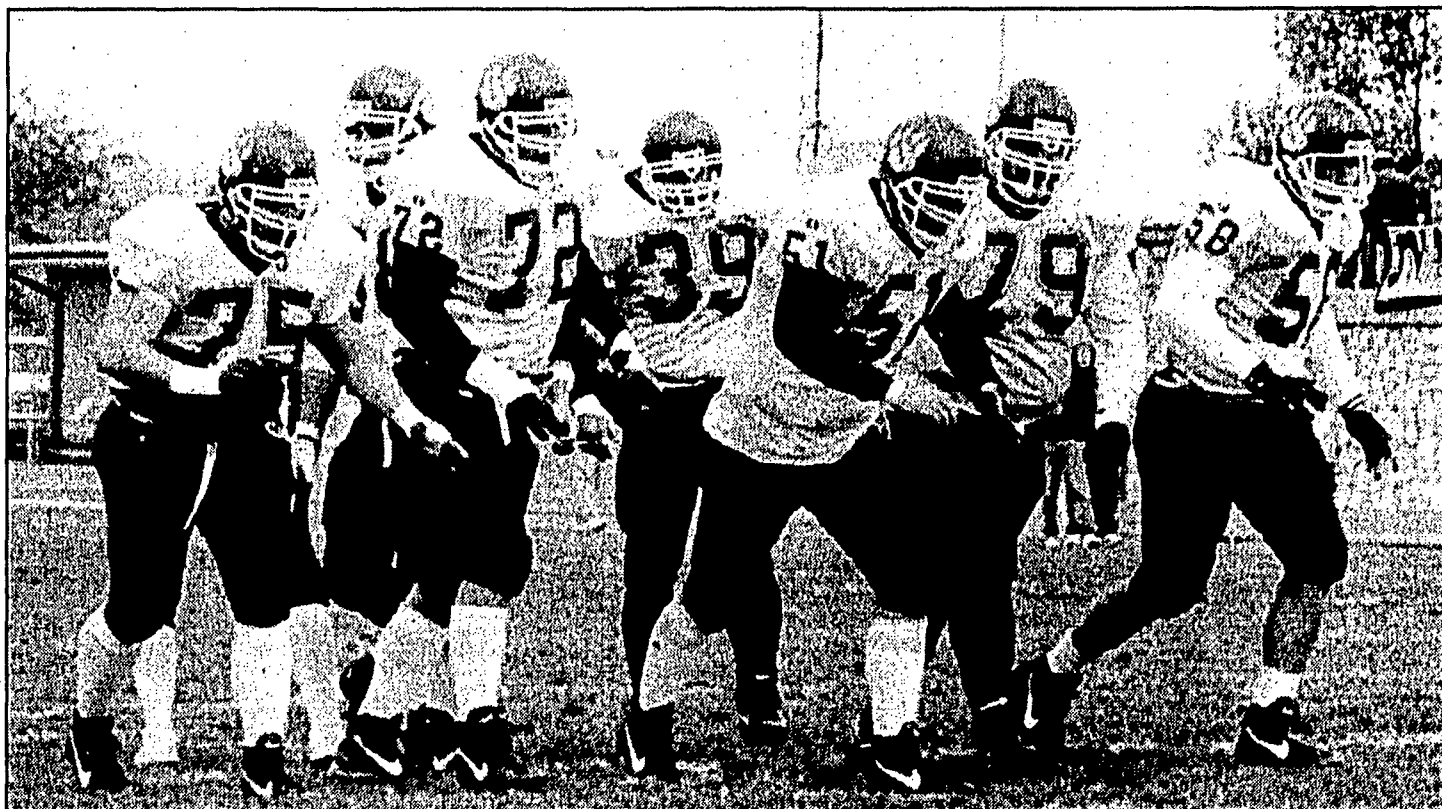
Baker said a lot goes on inside that most don't realize.

"I don't think the regular fan understands how violent it is," Baker said. "It's a physically violent game, there's a lot of grabbing, collisions and a lot of stuff going on in there that people don't see."

Although no individual statistics are accumulated for offensive linemen, Dorrel said he only cares about winning.

"All we worry about is getting the 'W,'" Dorrel said. "I know our work is very appreciated by this team, and they know that we work hard. Getting respect is my statistic."

Baker said receiving praise and racking up individual statistics is not what the game is all about. He said the group has accepted its role



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Offensive linemen Adam Dorrel (no. 75), Chad Thompson (no. 72), Steve Coppinger (no. 51), Josh Baker (no. 79) and Andy Erpelding (no. 58), trot to the line of scrimmage, Saturday versus Emporia State. The Bearcats prevailed over the Hornets, 44-38 on its way to be the 1997 MIAA champions.

Jennifer Meyer/Photography Director

All we worry about is getting the 'W.' I know our work is appreciated by this team ... getting respect is my statistic.

■ Adam Dorrel, offensive linemen

In the trenches

Josh Baker - 6'3" 315-lb senior left guard; '97 Snow Bowl participant; '97 second team all-MIAA; '96 honorable mention all-MIAA; two-year starter

Steve Coppinger - 6'3" 267-lb junior center; '97 first team all-MIAA; '96 honorable mention all-MIAA; two-year starter

Adam Dorrel - 5'11" 284-lb senior center; team co-captain; '97 first team all-MIAA; '96 second team all-MIAA; '95 honorable mention all-MIAA; three-year starter

Andy Erpelding - 6'3" 252-lb freshman redshirt; first-year starter

Chad Thompson - 6'3" 300-lb sophomore; first-year starter



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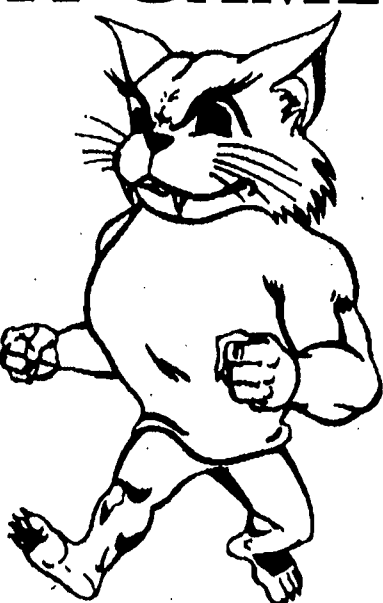
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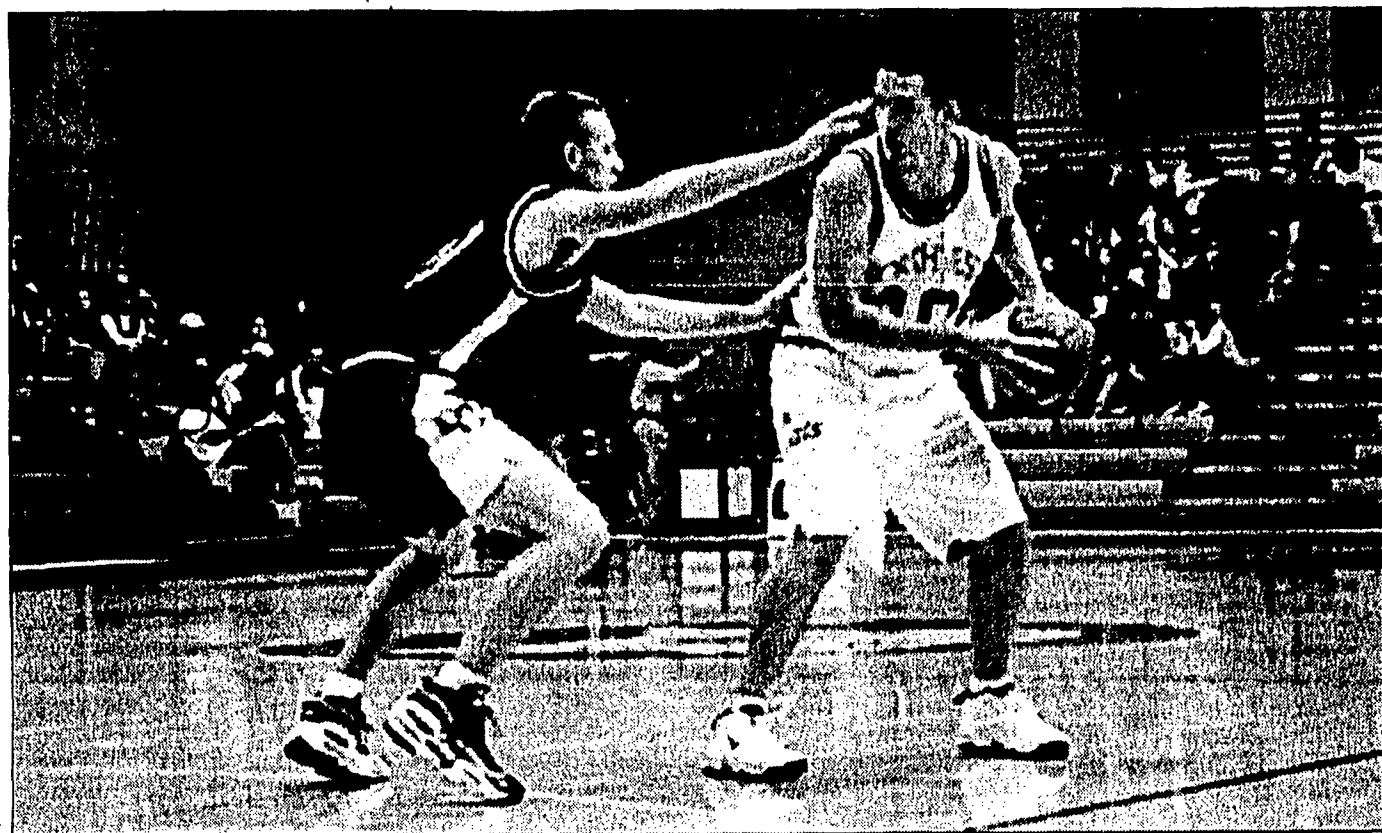
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Junior forward Mike Morley holds off a Faith Baptist Bible College defender as he looks for an open teammate. All 12 players participated in the 83-65 win. The Bearcats play Tugaloo (Miss.) at 8 p.m. Friday in Bearcat Arena.

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Contributing Photographer

Men's basketball notches 2nd victory

by JP Farris
Chief Reporter

The 'Cats found themselves alone in the cage with the Faith Baptist Bible College Eagles Tuesday and the Benedictine Ravens Friday, but only feathers remained when they finished.

All 12 players scored and played at least 10 minutes in the 83-35 win over the NAIA Division II Eagles. The Bearcats sported a balanced attack with a 46-4 first-half lead. Junior forwards Matt Redd and LeVant Williams both had a game-high 13 points with senior forward Brian Burleson adding 12.

Although the game was a blow-out, the Bearcats still used it as a learning experience.

"(The score of the game) allowed us to play a lot of different combinations and kind of learn more about our team from the standpoint of a

game situation," head coach Steve Tappmeyer said.

Tappmeyer mixed defenses and used the entire offensive playbook. "We're predominately a (man-to-man defensive) team, but we wanted to slow things down and work on things," he said. "I think defensively we got a little sloppy, but it's hard not to do that in a situation like this."

Although the Bearcats will learn from this game, Tappmeyer thought they may have been better off to not even partake in it.

"In some respects a game like this is not as beneficial as practice," he said. "Because you don't get your top seven (players) that are going to be out there playing the number of (repetitions) you need to."

The Bearcats saw little resistance from Benedictine College in the season opener Friday. The 74-56 victory win was not only the Bearcats' first test; it was the first chance for

senior point guard "Shakey" Harrington to showcase himself.

"I've been anticipating this day since I've been here," Harrington said. "It feels like I'm starting over again, almost like a freshman. I've been sitting out almost a year and a half, and I had a lot of butterflies. But I knew what was expected of me so I was going to have to step up and do my job."

Harrington was redshirted last season. There were two senior guards, and he had one year of eligibility left. After three semesters without a game, Tappmeyer expected him to be a little rusty.

"I really would not have been surprised if he would have struggled tonight," Tappmeyer said. "He hasn't played for a while, and he was so hyped up for the game."

Harrington scored a game-high 24 points with two assists and three steals. Redd also sparked the Bear-

cats with 14 points and 11 rebounds.

Off the pine, Williams supplied the Bearcats with 13 points on five of six shooting including one from beyond the three-point arc and eight rebounds. Knocking down the first two or three shots he took really got Williams in rhythm, Tappmeyer said.

"He's been struggling to pick up the system," he said. "It looked like when he came out tonight and got his first couple jumpers down he got a lot more confidence."

This weekend the 'Cats will play host to the Ryland Milner Classic, featuring Tugaloo (Miss.), Tampa (Fla.) and Drury College. The Bearcats open up against a run and gun Tugaloo team at 8 p.m. Friday in Bearcat Arena.

"We don't want to come out and lose our own tournament again, that was kind of sad last year," Burleson said. "I think we have the right people on this team to do well."

Spikers' season ends with 2 conference losses

by Wendy Broker
University Sports Editor

The volleyball team wrapped up its season over the weekend with losses to conference foes Missouri Southern State College and Pittsburg State University.

The women fought four games against Pitt State Saturday, but came up short, 8-15, 15-7, 8-15, 11-15.

Some bright spots for the 'Cats were Diann Davis, senior middle hitter and Abby Sunderman, freshman middle hitter. Davis recorded 11 kills and 10 blocks, while Sunderman notched 11 kills as well and put up seven blocks.

Jill Quast, freshman outside hitter, pulled up 20 digs as Jenny Waldron, junior outside hitter, added 19. Freshman setter Abby Williams picked up 37 assists in the match.

Head coach Sarah Pelster said the women had the same problems all weekend which cost them both matches.

"All weekend, we made serving and passing errors," Pelster said. "We had eight serving errors and eight receiving errors against Southern and 10 serving errors and 11 receiving errors against Pittsburg. When you make that kind of mistakes, it's hard to have offense and win matches."

The Bearcats took on the Lions of Missouri Southern Friday coming out of the three-game match with the loss, 11-15, 11-15, 14-15 despite the team's effort.

Davis was named to the all-conference second team. Quast and Sundermann received honorable mentions. Pelster said this honor shows the conference is noting Northwest's abilities.

"Having three women represent us in such an elite group means other coaches are noticing us," Pelster said.

Overall, Pelster was pleased with the women's play this season especially with the players' inexperience.

"It's been kind of up and down this season, typical of a young team,"

Pelster said. "With five freshmen seeing a significant amount of playing time, I was very pleased with the season. We just have to work on our consistency. We lost at least four or five matches in five games, and we beat a nationally ranked (No. 25) team in Wayne State (College)."

The weekend matchups were not only the end to a winning season but final games for two seniors.

Davis, a four-year letterwinner for the squad, ended the season after breaking two Northwest records, one for block assists and the other for total blocks. Davis ranks No. 9 in the nation in blocks as well. She also averaged over three kills a match for the team.

Outside hitter Suzi Fabian, also a four-year letterwinner for the squad, played well for the team this season as well. She provided digging and passing experience for the young team.

Pelster said the seniors will be missed, because it will be hard to replace their experience and what they have done for the team in the past four years.

"Diann has been a dominant force in the middle," Pelster said. "She led the team and the conference in blocking this season and broke two Northwest records. There is a definite loss of a great leader there."

"Suzi has been excellent for the team in digging and passing all four years. We will miss her passing and defensive play the most. They will both be very hard to replace."

The future looks bright for the team even without these women, Pelster said.

"This was a learning year for us, a rebuilding year, but three freshmen were helping lead the team," Pelster said. "We knew we would take a few knocks, but we'd learn from them. We have made big strides for a young team, and I only see this team getting better. We will work on consistency in the offseason and by next fall we will be much more stable."

Runners travel to National meet

by Wendy Broker
University Sports Editor

The season is drawing to a close for the men's and women's cross country teams as they travel to Kenosha, Wis., for the NCAA Division II National meet Saturday.

Seniors Kathy Kearns, Dana Luke and Carrie Sindelar, along with juniors Jennifer Miller and Lindsey Borgstadt, sophomore Becca Glassel and freshman Sarah Handrup will represent Northwest at the meet.

The women are currently ranked No. 8 in the nation and hope to perform at that level this weekend.

"We have ran well the two previ-

ous times we've been in Kenosha," head coach Bud Williams said. "We hope to improve a third time. We are not changing anything going into this meet. We plan to peak one final time at this meet. We want to go out and do our best in our own right not regarding who we run against."

Men compete at NCAA meet

The men will join the women at the National meet this weekend with high hopes and strong efforts.

Juniors Robby Lane, Don Ferree, Corey Parks and Brian Cornelius, sophomores Bryan Thornburg and Matt Johnson and freshman Mike Ostreko will be running for the men.

It will take more than just mental and physical preparation for the men to do well at the meet, head coach Rich Alsop said.

"We will go up there and do as well as we can," Alsop said. "We will have to have a pack time of 1:30 at least to finish in the top 10. It is a great accomplishment for us to be there, but we want to go there and do something. We have the capabilities".

Alsop said the best Northwest has ever finished at Nationals is 12th, and the men want to beat that. The team is ranked No. 14 going into the meet.

"It will be nice for the season finale if we can put all the pieces together," he said.

Bearcats survive Hornets' upset bid

by Colin McDonough
Managing Editor

The "Sting and Shoot" proved to be a worthy nickname for the Emporia State University offense Saturday, but the Bearcats staved off the upset with a strong fourth-quarter performance.

Northwest held off Emporia State, 44-38, and clinched an outright MIAA title for the first time since 1984.

Mel Tjeerdsma, head football coach, said the Hornets did everything they could to make it tough on the 'Cats.

"You have to give them a lot of credit," Tjeerdsma said. "They had

a good game plan on both sides of the ball."

A key to the game occurred early on, as the Hornets starting quarterback Pete Jelovic went down with an injury.

"They were real fortunate their starter got hurt, because that made a tremendous difference," Tjeerdsma said. "He would have had a bad day, but that backup was darned quick and we hadn't prepared for that. It hurts you when you don't prepare in that way."

The nation's leader in total offense, Brian Shay, had a tough day against the Bearcat defense but was still able to reach the 100-yard plateau.

"He had two runs that were pretty good runs, but other than that, we did a good job of handling him," Tjeerdsma said. "That was one thing going into the game we felt we had to do (was stop Shay) and keep him from making big plays. We kept him out of the end zone, and I didn't know that we would do that."

With Northwest leading 41-31 late in the fourth quarter, junior safety Brian Sutton intercepted a Hornets' pass that proved to be the difference in the game.

"The key to that was that we got a lot of pressure on the quarterback," Tjeerdsma said. "It was fourth and inches, and they decided to throw it rather than run it with Shay."

'Cats win Jewell tournament

■ Women's basketball crowned champs following overtime victory over host William Jewell Saturday

By Kevin Schultz
Chief Reporter

A thrilling overtime victory, a new record and a tournament championship describe the women's basketball team's weekend at the William Jewell Tournament.

The 'Cats defeated Ottawa, Kan. in their first contest by a blowout of 78-44. The team's defense contributed greatly to the 34-point spread.

"Considering it was the first game of the year, we played fairly well," head coach Wayne Winstead said. "We still have some things to work on, but it wasn't bad for a start to the season."

The Bearcats proved their worth against William Jewell by meeting expectations with a win. It was against a more formidable opponent, Winstead said.

"William Jewell was a very tough game," Winstead said. "I give them a lot of credit, but we did not play with enough consistency, but we did prove something."

Inconsistent play throughout much of the game left the 'Cats trailing by 10 with only 2:44 remaining in the game.

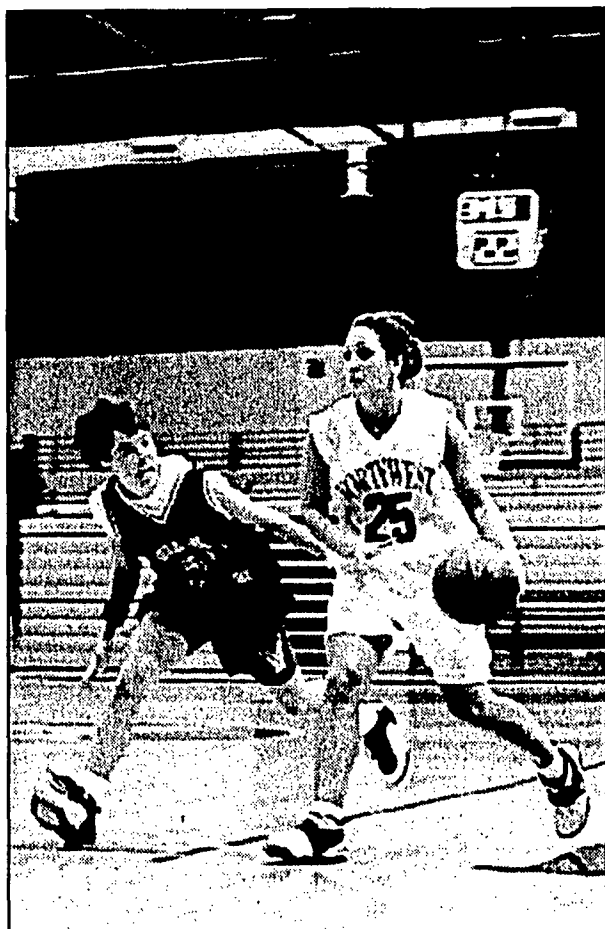
But the 'Cats sprung back to tie the game and send the contest to overtime.

"We were down by 10 (points) late," Winstead said. "But the ladies never gave up or panicked. They ran the offense and kept playing hard. They have a lot of heart."

It was that heart that carried them to an 86-84 overtime victory and the tournament championship.

The championship is attributed to great post play from senior forwards Annie Coy and Denise Sump. With Pam Cummings, senior point guard, feeding them the ball, the two inside forces combined for 45 points and 26 boards.

"Coy and Sump played big in both contests as well as junior-transfer forward Allison Edwards," Winstead said. "Edwards seemed to pick up her game and had a consistent tournament, scoring 15 in the first game and 16 in the second."



Jennie Nelson/Staff Photographer

Senior guard Pam Cummings tries to keep the ball away from a Nebraska All-Star in last week's exhibition game. The 'Cats play Rockhurst Friday night in Bearcat Arena.

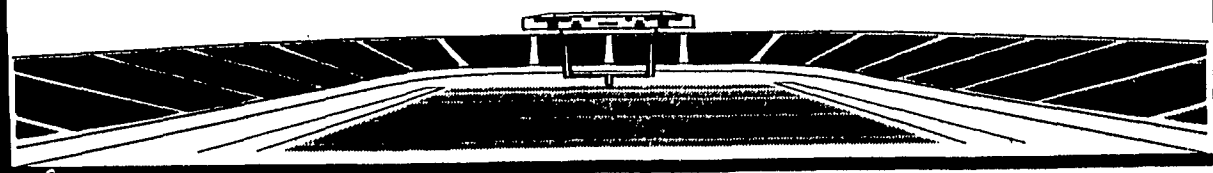
With two regular season victories notched away, the 'Cats turn their focus to the Ryland Milner Classic. "We don't know much about William Penn, they have so many new players," Winstead said. "But we know Rockhurst is for real and they will be very tough. That should be a great test."

The Ryland Milner Classic will be this weekend with the 'Cats playing Rockhurst at 6 p.m. Friday in Bearcat Arena.

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Maryville High School teams attempt to continue last year's success



Junior Ben Scott takes the inbounds pass as sophomore Kyle Lager attempts to get the steal. The 'Hounds will start the season Tuesday.

Tim Kay/Chief Photographer

Tip-off inches near for boys' hoopsters

by Mark Hornickel
Chief Reporter

Coming off a season with 20 wins, the boys' basketball season will hit the hardwood this Tuesday with high expectations.

"I think the fact that we have an experienced ballclub coming back is one of the reasons why the expectations are high," head coach Mike Kuwitzky said. "We have basically the whole team back from last season and that's some encouragement that they can have a good season this year."

Junior Ryan Morley will return after putting in a solid season last year, Kuwitzky said. He led the 'Hounds with 11.6 points per game and 6.6 rebounds per game.

Seniors John Otte and Grant Sutton will also return to the team this season. Otte led the team with three assists per game while Sutton averaged 10.9 points and 3.7 rebounds per contest.

Kuwitzky said senior Tyler Hardy may also see a lot of playing time this year. As the 'Hounds' sixth man last season, he averaged 10 points per game.

A list of players including seniors John Edmonds, Jaimie Loch, Keith Wurm, Adam Weldon, Craig Archer, and juniors Nick Glasnapp, Mike Nanninga, Adam Otte and Ben Scott will also help the team with returning experience.

"I think (one of) the characteristics of this team is that it works hard," Kuwitzky said. "They show a lot of unselfishness. They play as a team. They're really good people, good stu-

dents and I enjoy working with them."

In addition to a deep group of returning players, Kuwitzky said a Northeast Nodaway transfer student, junior Adam Johnson, will be a strong attribute to the team.

"We're really excited about his presence with us, and he'll figure into the mix quite well," Kuwitzky said.

Kuwitzky said younger players will be a good addition to the team.

"We've got some really good young ones coming up too," Kuwitzky said. "We've got a really good group of underclassmen."

Last season, the 'Hounds finished with a record of 20-8 and they placed second in the Midland Empire Conference, behind Chillicothe. In addition, the team claimed victories at the Nodaway County Tournament and the Savannah Tournament.

"Last year was a really, really good season for us," Kuwitzky said. "We'd like to build off of that. I was really proud we got that far in the district, and we were able to challenge (Chillicothe)."

Kuwitzky said the team also benefited from wins over some of the tougher teams in the district such as Benton and Red Oak, Iowa.

"We just had some really big wins against some real quality teams last year," Kuwitzky said. "Winning 20 games in high school is really hard. Many people don't realize how hard it is to be a 20-game winner, but this group did it last year and I was very, very proud of them."

The season will tip off at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday at Trenton.



Jennifer Meyer/Photography Director

Several members of the wrestling team polished their techniques at practice Wednesday. The squad will begin its season Dec. 4 against Maysville.

Wrestlers expect pins

by Mark Hornickel
Chief Reporter

Nine state qualifiers will return to the Maryville wrestling team as it attempts to duplicate last season's success.

"I'd have to say our expectations are pretty high for the most part," head coach Joe Drake said.

The 'Hounds will field an experienced team which includes several wrestlers in the middle-weight classes with State tournament experience.

"That is definitely going to help us," Drake said. "Our concerns are our top three weight classes — if we're going to be able to fill them at all. If we do fill them, it's probably going to be with first-year wrestlers."

Drake said the team's main goals are to improve upon last year's dual meet record of 7-1-1, repeat as Midland Empire Conference champions and make a good showing at the State tournament.

Several State qualifiers will form the team's nucleus for this season, Drake said. Senior Mark Anderson, who finished sixth in the State tournament last year, will lead a list of returning State qualifiers that includes seniors Jeremy Tobin, Jeremy Lliteras, Ryan Castillo and sophomore Jeremy Bradshaw.

The 'Hounds' conference will include three new teams, Cameron, Platte County and Smithville, who have joined the MEC.

"All three have excellent wrestling programs," Drake said. "So that will change our dual schedule a little bit because of the fact that we have three new schools that weren't there last year."

The 'Hounds' season will begin at 7 p.m. Dec. 4 at home against the Maysville High School Wolverines.

Wrestling schedule

Dec. 4 - Maysville
Dec. 11 - Cameron, South Harrison
Dec. 13 - Lexington Tournament
Dec. 20 - Trenton Tournament
Jan. 6 - Benton
Jan. 10 - Shawnee Mission Tournament
Jan. 13 - Chillicothe
Jan. 15 - Rock Port
Jan. 20 - Smithville
Jan. 22 - Platte County
Jan. 24 - Nebraska City Tournament
Jan. 27 - St. Plus X
Jan. 29 - Lafayette
Jan. 31 - Maryville Tournament
Feb. 3 - Savannah
Feb. 7 - District
Feb. 14 - Sectional
Feb. 19-21 - State

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Boys' schedule

Nov. 25 - Trenton
Dec. 2 - Shenandoah, Iowa
Dec. 5 - Savannah
Dec. 9 - Clarinda, Iowa
Dec. 10 - LeBlond
Dec. 15-20 - Nodaway County Tournament
Dec. 26-30 - William Jewell Tournament
Jan. 6 - Benton
Jan. 9 - Cameron
Jan. 12-17 - Savannah Tournament
Jan. 20 - South Harrison

Jan. 23 - Chillicothe
Jan. 30 - Falls City, Neb.
Feb. 3 - Savannah
Feb. 5 - Benton
Feb. 9 - Chillicothe
Feb. 13 - Smithville
Feb. 16 - Platte County
Feb. 19 - Lafayette
Feb. 23-28 District
March 13-14 - State

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Girls' basketball players ready to take the hardwood by storm

by Burton Taylor
Missourian Staff

It has been almost 10 years since the Maryville girls' basketball team won the Midland Empire Conference Tournament — it has a flag posted in the gymnasium to prove it. But this year head coach Jeff Martin wants to add to the display.

The team is in its final weeks of conditioning and working on both its offensive and defensive skills.

In practice, players run through a lot of different drills. They scrimmage, work on passing, dribbling and screening techniques.

In his third year of coaching the Spoofhounds, Martin believes the team is better than it has been in past seasons.

"We still have a little ways to go," Martin said. "But we have a lot of talented individuals, and I think that we could be pretty good."

Returning junior Megan McLaughlin said the team has improved and could make something happen this year.

With 44 players, Martin emphasizes the importance of teamwork and communication during games and practices.

"Coach Martin can be pretty hard on us, but it does us a lot of good," junior Shea O'Riley said.

Martin likes to use man-to-man defensive tactics and thinks it will work well for the team.

"Man-to-man defense is something that I have always believed in," Martin said. "It is something that I grew up with. It puts more responsibility on the shoulders of the players, and it is harder work, but it's worth it."

Martin said the team is working really hard, but the players' attitudes remain positive. He believes it is one of the biggest things they have going for them.

"They are always enthusiastic," Martin said. "That is going to carry the team a long way this year."

The Spoofhounds' first game will be at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday in Trenton when the team battles the Trenton Bulldogs.

Girls' schedule

Nov. 25 - Trenton
Dec. 2 - Savannah
Dec. 5 - Benton
Dec. 9 - Lafayette
Dec. 13 - Clarinda, Iowa
Dec. 15-20 - Nodaway County Tournament
Dec. 26-30 - LeBlond Tournament
Jan. 6 - Savannah
Jan. 8 - Cameron
Jan. 12-17 - Savannah Tournament
Jan. 20 - South Harrison
Jan. 23 - Chillicothe
Jan. 27 - LeBlond
Feb. 2 - Savannah
Feb. 6 - Benton
Feb. 10 - Chillicothe
Feb. 12 - Smithville
Feb. 17 - Platte County
Feb. 20 - Lafayette
Feb. 23-28 District
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Head coach Chad Holmes talks to his team by the side of the swimming pool at the Aquatic Center during practice for the Polar Bears swim team.

Holmes said he tries to give the children as much individual attention and encouragement as he can.

Splish, Splash... Polar Bears swim club allows children to dive into competition

by **Mark Hornickel**
Chief Reporter

Most children are full of energy and turning that energy into accomplishments is not an easy task.

The Northwest United States Swimming Team has a roster of 24 members. The team, also known as the Polar Bears, targets ages 6-18, but the oldest member is 12.

The Polar Bears practice from 4-6 p.m. each Monday, Wednesday and Thursday night at the Aquatic Center at Northwest. Head coach Chad Holmes is a sophomore at Northwest and is surprised by the energy the children have.

"Usually, you'd expect little kids not even to be swimming a mile or half of a mile, but these kids are swimming about four to five miles in a practice," Holmes said. "They totally love it, too."

The swimmers start practice by swimming 1,000 yards freestyle just to warm up. Then, they swim about one to two miles of sprints.

Holmes makes sure to keep their attention throughout the practice.

"I make sure, since it's such a small team, that I give individual attention to each swimmer, because that's what they need," Holmes said. "They need to learn how to become competitors, and I'm here to teach them that."

Holmes said he has seen a lot of improvements, and he has been very impressed with many individual performances.

"Traci Harr dropped her time by about five or six seconds on her butterfly, and I didn't expect her to do that at all," Holmes said. "Jessica

Baker had never swam in a meet before and she did awesome — better than I ever expected. Megan Weiss dropped like 20 seconds off of her 200-meter freestyle time. You just don't see that. I would never expect those things to happen."

The Polar Bears have been practicing since Sept. 1, and they have already competed at three meets this season.

For the first meet of the season, the team competed at Kansas State University in Manhattan, Kan. Tom Jaeger, former Olympic swimmer, was in attendance, and he worked with the swimmers.

"It was really neat for the kids to work with an actual Olympian," Holmes said. "He talked to them, and they were able to learn about his experiences."

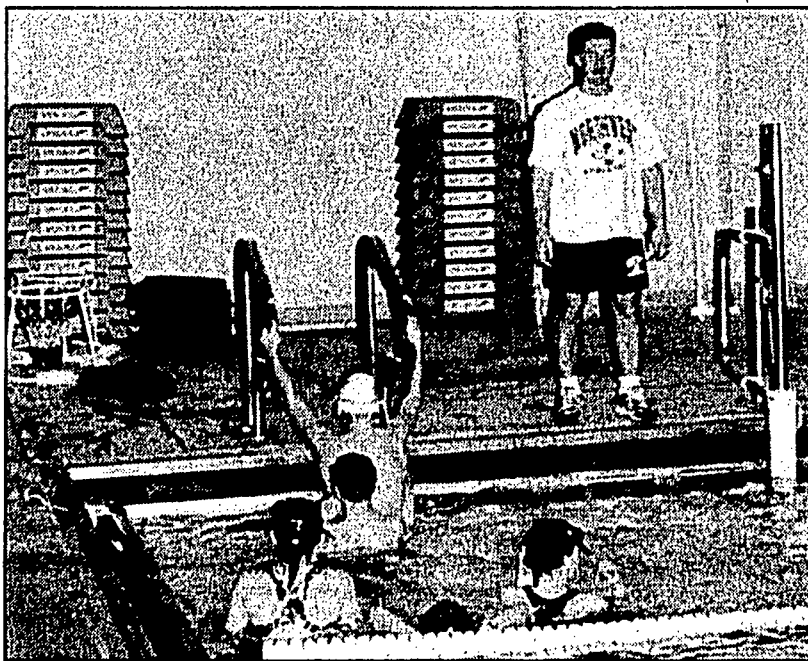
The Polar Bears normally compete in five or six meets a semester, which requires a lot of preparation.

"I tell them to listen to music when they are swimming and just prepare for the meet the night before," Holmes said. "They are just kids right now. Sometimes they don't really know what the competition thing is yet. So, I have to understand that part of it."

The swimmers enjoy the chance to compete.

"I like going to the meets because there are lots of people there," said Michelle Fink, 11. "It's fun to compete against other people, and you have to practice hard or else you can't compete."

Swimmers have the opportunity to qualify for two levels of competition. Last season, everyone qualified for Division II competition.



Head coach Chad Holmes keeps a watchful eye on the members of his swim team during practice last week.

"They passed way over my expectations," Holmes said. "Now, their goal is to qualify for Division I. They are on a path I would have never expected."

The team also benefits from assistant coaches Andrea Giesken and Polly Carter, and help from the parents.

"I'm an elementary education major and I love being around kids," Giesken said. "I enjoy how the kids look up to you. How they look to you as a role model and you are their mentor. I like to see the kids succeed."

Parents participate at many of the

practices and meets, and they believe it is a good program.

"I think it's a great program," parent Christina Heintz said. "I think it's good that they are able to exercise this way and work as a team. It keeps them occupied and it gives them something to think about when they are swimming back and forth."

Many of the swimmers have been swimming competitively since they were young, but some are new at it.

"It's really exciting to see these little kids competing and starting as early as they do," Giesken said. "It's neat to see them accomplish things at such a young age."

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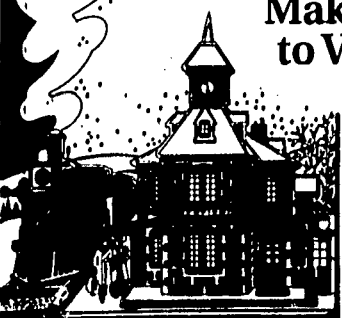


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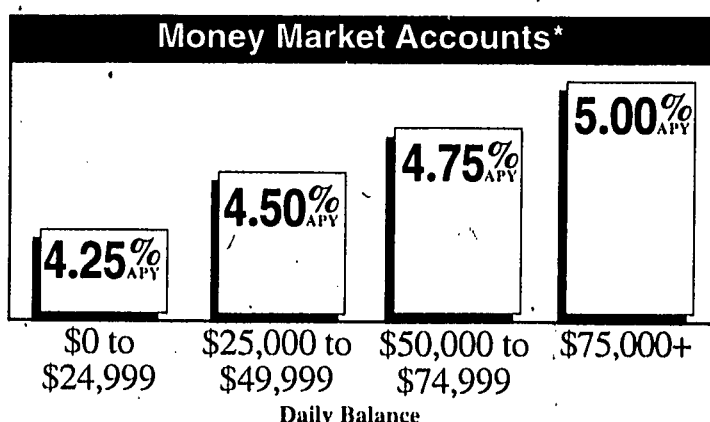
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Dean and Lois Ward are one of the few couples in Maryville who are happily married after 60 years. They were high school sweethearts and married in May of 1938.



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Keeping a marriage 'all sunshine and roses' for 60 years isn't easy, but two Maryville couples have lasted through the good and bad times

To Have & To Hold

by Stacy Young

In an age when divorce is a common occurrence, there are couples in Maryville who, after 60 years of marriage, have kept their promise to love, honor and cherish each other forever.

Les and Corky Reaksecker have endured the trials of marriage and will celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary next June. The couple met in an educational psychology class at Northwest, which was Northwest Missouri State Teacher's College at the time.

"I think we've been using what we learned in that class on each other through the years," Corky said, chuckling.

The Reakseckers have two children, five grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

"It was good to see all of our children grow up to be so successful," Les said.

Until their children were ready to leave for college, Corky worked at home. She later received her real estate license and entered the work-force.

"She was the second woman in Nodaway County to receive her license," Les said with a proud smile.

It's the little things that make their marriage special. At one time, Les worked for an insurance agency and Corky

worked for a dress shop that were across the street from each other. They made it a ritual every afternoon to meet for lunch.

Besides raising a family together, the Reakseckers share many common interests. They both like antiques, and they love to travel. They have been to every state except Alaska and across every province of Canada. They have also been on trips to Europe and Mexico.

The couple has been through some rough times, but they have learned to work with each other.

"It hasn't all been sunshine and roses," Corky said. "We do have our differences. When we need to be alone, he goes to his workshop, and I go to my backyard. He always tells me that I have everything that Earl May has sold back there."

"She does," Les added matter-of-factly.

The Reakseckers are community-oriented people. They take on many projects together and complete them with pride.

"When we retired, Corky said we were going to need something to keep us busy," Les said.

Corky added, "So we helped to restore flower beds and old statues around the town. We never expected anything out of it but we were invited to a Chamber of Commerce dinner and awarded a good citizenship plaque."

Another project they do together every Friday is taking church bulletins to rest homes for people who cannot get out to attend services.

"We really enjoy doing this," Corky said. "Every Wednesday and Sunday our church service is broadcasted on the radio. This gives those people a chance to at least follow along with it."

The Reakseckers' advice for young couples starting out is not to expect the other person to be perfect. They have to deal with the problems that arise.

"Sometimes when young people get married, they expect to pick up where they left off in their home life," Corky said. "They have to try and work things out; realizing that everyone has problems. You need to trust each other, and don't be afraid to give each other some space."

Another couple in Maryville with a long-standing marriage is Dean and Lois Ward. They will be celebrating their 60th anniversary in May, but they have known each other much longer.

Dean finished high school in Skidmore where he met Lois. They were students of the graduating class of 1931.

Dean and Lois dated for seven years during the Depression before they were married.

"We had to wait until we could find a job to live on," Dean said.



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Dean and Lois Ward hold hands as they reminisce about their 60 years together. The couple dated during the Depression and married seven years

after they met. They graduated from high school together in 1931 in Skidmore and both attended Northwest. Today they reside in Maryville.

After graduating from high school, Dean went to the University of Kansas and studied engineering. Within two years, he received a job at the Kansas City Power and Light Company.

"I thought, here I am a lucky guy," Dean said. "I graduated from college, and I'm working for a great company, making good money so early in our marriage."

The couple has many memories together and are constantly making new ones. Some of their favorite memories were of their first years together.

"Lois came to Kansas City one Friday night at about quitting time, and with my first paycheck we were going to have a nice party," Dean said. "We were walking down the street, and I took her window shopping. We stopped and I showed her the KCPL building. I'll never forget that night. I felt like it was a great achievement. I hope Lois remembers that night too."

Lois sat in her chair and nodded her head as if she was playing that night back through her mind.

The Wards have learned from experience that a lot of work is involved in keeping a marriage going strong.

"Part of what has kept us together is being very serious about our vows," Lois said. "We were brought up that way. It's our moral fiber. You have to remember that a promise is a promise. It was our job to make this work."

The Wards believe marriage is a sacred union. Their attitude toward making it is teamwork.

"Some people just don't see it as a unified project," Dean said. "It's a cooperative thing in a sense, and you can't make it work without a unified effort. It's like people don't consider marriage as a permanent thing."

"Where else can you find a housemate cheaper than this pretty little girl?" Dean finished while looking affectionately at his wife.

Each marriage has a different secret for its success. For the Wards, their religion is a strong bonding factor.

"I think faith and faithfulness are very important in each other and in our religion," Lois said. "Forgiveness is also important. Everyone has to ask for forgiveness, and we have both been good at that."

In their relationship, they do have their share of arguments, but throughout the years, divorce has never been an option.

"We couldn't afford a divorce," Lois said with a giggle and a warm smile toward her husband.

"Yeah, they are kind of expensive," Dean returned with a laugh. "We just kept trying to solve our problems and kept making a living."

The Wards' sense of humor, along with their hard work has contributed to the success of their 60 years together.

"Marriage is just like anything else, you have to work on it, but it is rewarding. Isn't it honey?" Lois asked.

"Oh yes it is," Dean agreed.



Photo courtesy of the Reakseckers

ABOVE: Les and Corky Reaksecker. RIGHT: The Reakseckers, who met in a psychology class at Northwest, will celebrate their 60th anniversary in June.



Photo courtesy of the Reakseckers

Tips to remember for a successful marriage

1. Try to maintain an upbeat attitude throughout the marriage.
2. Work through your differences in a calm manner and avoid raising your voices.
3. Give each other space when needed. Married people still need personal time.
4. Try not to be selfish. Do things for each other.
5. Work through a problem until it is solved so it will not continue to arise.
6. Be patient and don't make material things top priority. It could take awhile to become stable.
7. Trust and support one another at all times.
8. Keep the romance alive by spending quality time together.
9. Begin your own traditions that can be unique to your family.

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Dave's quote of the week:

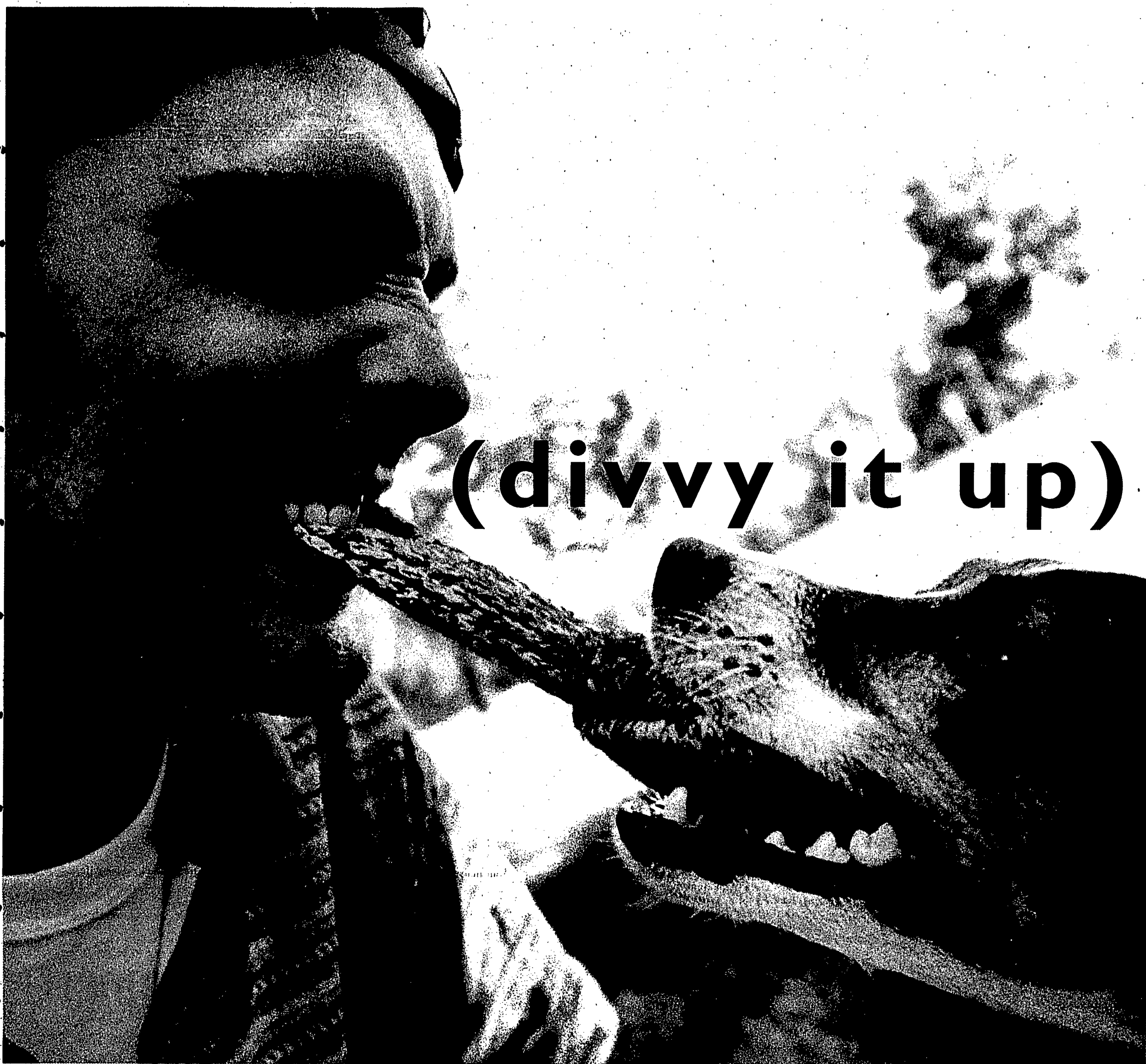
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It's that time of year again. The season is changing, the leaves are falling and so are the student's attitudes. Warm weather and the beginning of a new semester brings positive attitudes and a strong sense of motivation. With every rebirth comes an agony of death. They were once positive people who turned into petty complainers and excessive procrastinators. People need to take control of the situations instead of letting the situation take control of them.

One of the biggest complaints I've been hearing is that the Spoofhounds aren't going to State, despite their almost impeccable record. They had a great year, and I commend them. But there isn't any use complaining about it.

Why not turn this negative into something positive? — like changing the playoff system so this doesn't happen again. Sitting around and complaining about it is counter-productive. Unite with other schools in the division and change the system instead of complaining and complaining.

Day in and day out, Northwest students grumble about the trial and tribulations of being a college student. They complain about group projects, speeches, presentations, tests and papers like no one else has the same hardships. Guess what folks, we're all in the same boat.

I also heard someone sniveling about one of their teachers who never cancels class. Isn't it funny that a college education is the only thing that we pay for and don't care if we get it or not. Imagine paying for a \$25,000 car and only telling people you have it.

Even though there are people who don't know where their next meal is coming from, college students continue to complain about our seemingly grim existence. Here's my suggestion if you are fed up with the 'Ville and need an escape. Take a road trip to another university and maybe you will begin to appreciate life at Northwest.

Here are some of my observations about the differences in our school and about 10 other schools I have visited.

• Guy to girl ratio at Northwest is about equal. Some schools are horribly lopsided, but at Northwest everyone has an equal

chance — to get a date that is. Need a reference guys? Visit the University of Missouri-Rolla or Iowa State University.

• People complain about paying \$25 for a lab book they can charge to their parents. I knew a student who had to take out a separate \$800 loan for books.

• People still have strong convictions about drugs, even the ones who often do them at Northwest, people keep it out of the public, respecting those who don't do it. I've been to many other schools where I've seen people doing drugs at the bars or at fraternity houses.

• Northwest computer ratio — one computer to every 2.5 students. Other schools have one computer to every 50 students. Try Thompson-Ringold next time you can't find a computer.

• Parking — I parked farther from my high school than I do now. Try getting a spot closer than a mile at schools like University of Missouri or University Nebraska-Lincoln.

• Crime — when was the last time you heard of a murder that is school related? Probably never. There was a stabbing death at Iowa State University last year during what is supposed to be a party (VEISHA).

• Maryville has some crazy people, but there are not many homeless people. I've been to some schools where the homeless are abundant, and college students actually enjoy buying them alcohol because they think it's funny.

• The law enforcement is not that bad. If you've ever been busted in Nebraska, you'd know what I mean. If they even see that you look like you might fight, you'll be in jail.

• Finally, believe it not, we have a great social scene and a friendly atmosphere. I've never had a visitor say they had a bad time in Maryville. It goes to show you that size doesn't matter.

Yes, I do see irony about Your Man complaining about other people complaining. If you think your problems are serious enough, call the counseling center at 562-1220. And if they aren't serious, don't call me.

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Weekly Crossword

ACROSS

1. Italian tower town
5. Uses the microwave
10. Hunker
14. Military branch
15. Nobel economist
16. Foli's kin
17. Spat
18. Fall preceder?
19. Scripture passage
20. Minaret

22. Takes away
24. Like many dormitories
25. Select
26. On the house
29. Expert fliers
31. Rancid
34. Leslie Caron role
35. Granada man
37. Infantry
38. Miscellany
39. Explosive trio
40. Toyland visitor
41. Frijol
42. Reason

44. CBER's word
45. Sullivan and Flanders
46. Run of good luck, to Nathan Detroit
47. Rising stars
49. Vetoing vote
50. Asian cuisine
51. Dusseldorf's neighbor
55. Stinging insects
59. Gray matter (abbr.)
60. Bordon symbol
62. Author Waugh
63. Reviewer Siskel

64. Alberto Tomba, e.g.
65. One of the Sinatra girls
66. Baseball stats
67. Medieval, slaves
68. Levant

DOWN

1. Positions
2. "True What They Say About Dixie?" (2 words)
3. Unthreatened
4. Hugs and kisses, e.g.
5. Unlucky
6. Made a mistake
7. Paul Newman in *Exodus*
8. Mrs. Lincoln's maiden name
9. More complaisant
10. Relax
11. Oil cartel acronym
12. Bank teller's call
13. Obtains
21. Hawaiian food
23. The (Ger.)

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RULE BRIE ADELA
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SPRY KEG RASH
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INHALED BREADS
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SNOOD SWELL LAM
TENURE SEMITES
TISAR POLE
BACH TED ALLE
ACHES WASH CLOTH
SMART ELEE EGOS
HENNA DICE RENT

26. It may make the world go 'round
27. Irritated
28. Anonym
29. Abolish
30. Portable beds
31. Audacious
32. Brittle fossil resin
33. Cloth workers
36. Catchall (abbr.)
37. Loathe
42. Modesty
43. Parroters
46. Old cloth
48. Crewman's item
49. Memos
50. Dick Turpin, e.g.
51. Parakeet's pad
52. Remarkable thing
53. Cinema's Turner
54. Actress Sommer
56. Lamb's pen name
57. Perfect ones
58. Sing like the Velvet Fog
61. Francis Drake's title



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Trying out trimesters

The Board of Regents made decisions at Tuesday's meeting regarding construction projects and calendar dates that will affect the campus for years to come. Here is a wrapup of some of the Board's decisions.

New University calendar

The University calendar will see dramatic changes because of the implementation of an extended summer schedule. Starting in the fall of 1998, the fall and spring terms will be shortened to 15 weeks, and the break between terms will also be shortened. Starting in the summer of 1999, the extended summer schedule will be in effect. See page 3 for more on this development.

The dates represent the beginning of planning and development to the date grades are due to the Registrar:

Fall 1998:	Fall 1999:
Aug. 19 - Dec. 14	Aug. 18 - Dec. 13
Spring 1998:	Spring 2000:
Jan. 5 - May 3	Jan. 4 - May 1
Summer 1999:	Summer 2000:
May 10 - July 30	May 8 - Aug. 15

Relocations and hall changes

Because of renovations to the Student Union and some residence halls, many campus offices will be relocated while major changes will take place in some residence halls.

Summer 1998

- South Complex will be off-line until August 1999
- Student Union construction begins
- Student Affairs, Campus Activities, Residential Life, I.D., Campus Dining and student organization offices will move to Thompson-Ringold Hall for about two years

August 1998

- Hudson Hall becomes coed by floor to accommodate the closing of South Complex, a coed residence hall
- Perrin Hall will be reopened as an all-female residence hall
- First floor of Douglas Hall will be reopened

Colleen Cooke/Editorial Assistant

University shapes future

Board of Regents passes 1998-'99 trimester calendar after months of consideration

by Jacob DiPietre
University News Editor

After many months of lobbying, conducting surveys and countless pages of research and studies, the University Board of Regents approved a trial trimester calendar at its meeting Tuesday.

The enhanced summer schedule, which will take effect in the summer of 1999, will offer students more options for classes. In the summer of '99, the three four-week sessions will start May 10 and end July 30. Then the full 15-week trimester for the summer of 2000 will start May 8 and end August 15.

However, the enhanced summer schedule, which will be evaluated at the end of each year, was not approved by all Board members. Regent member, Chip Strong who represented the one vote against the trimester calendar, was not sure the University

would serve the students by implementing an enhanced summer schedule.

"My biggest concern is that we don't have enough information to know where we are going with this," Strong said. "Some 10 years ago, the president went out on a limb and recommended lengthening the semesters. I have a problem with going back and shortening the semester."

Strong is not the only one with concerns. Richard Fulton, professor of political science, said he can see how an enhanced summer schedule would help, but he believes the University should proceed with caution.

"I think if it is done wisely, it is a good opportunity, but I am concerned we will build too much out of it too fast," Fulton said. "Such as moving ahead in programs without faculty planning. I'm not sure (the Board) knows what to expect out of this program."

One of the big supporters of an enhanced summer schedule is University President Dean Hubbard. He said there are a lot of misconceptions about a trimester calendar and thinks the enhanced summer schedule will not hurt, even if it does not work.

"I don't think the roof will fall in," Hubbard said. "I think life will go on, students will learn; teachers will teach; this institution will continue to develop — that's my view. I don't think it will be dramatic one way or the other."

While Hubbard thinks there will not be a big impact on campus, some students still don't know what an enhanced summer schedule is.

Annelle Weymuth, executive assistant to the president, handed out a survey to all students during fall verification. Of the 2,373 returned surveys, 74 percent of upperclassmen said they either had no opinion or didn't want an enhanced summer schedule.

This is another reason Strong was unsure about proceeding with trimesters.

"Twenty percent of our students graduate in four years," Strong said. "So the marketplace has dictated that most students don't want to get out quicker."

Strong believes there are some good points regarding summer schedule. However, he said it all depends on how the University advertises the new calendar.

Renovations pass, set to start next fall

by Stephanie Zellstra
Assistant News Editor

After the applause was over, a collective sigh of relief could be heard from the people who put in long hours and hard work on their project — the student's project.

The Board of Regents passed the proposed Student Union/residence halls renovation plan at its meeting Tuesday. The goal of the renovations is to make the Student Union appeal to students in a more relaxed atmosphere.

"I absolutely love the plans," said Jeff Lukens, student representative and Residence Hall Association president. "What they're trying to do will make it more of a Student Union, not just a cafeteria where you go to eat."

Many interested parties were present as the fate of the Union and residence halls was decided unanimously.

"The next part will be to draw up more detailed construction documents so that everyone will be able to see them," said Becky Mullins of Gould Evans Goodman Associates, the architectural firm in charge of the project.

During the hall renovations, relocations and alternative accommodations are also being planned. South Complex will be unable to be used from May 1998 to August 1999. Because of this, Hudson Hall will become coed by floor in August 1998.

Perrin Hall will also open in August 1998 as an all-female hall. The first floor of Douglas Hall will reopen in August 1998.

The Union has been given the most consideration in how to handle the relocation of several campus dining services.

Campus dining renovation plans will be conducted in two phases. The first phase will include construction to the south side of the building. During this time, the Spanish Den and 'Cats Commons will not be accessible. Instead, the meeting rooms in the upper levels will be turned into dining space.

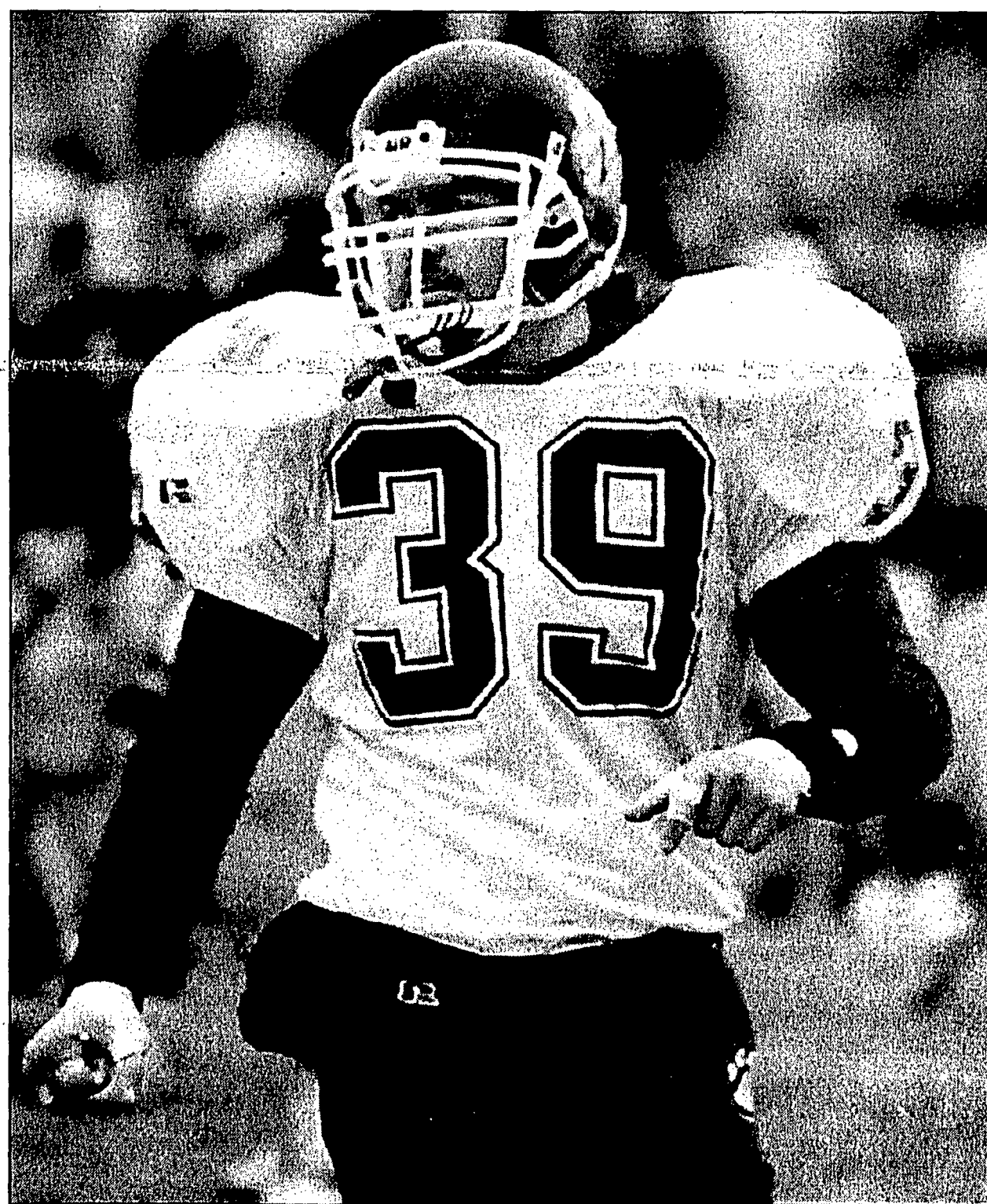
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■ Jeff Lukens, Residence Hall Association president

Because there will be a need for space, dining areas will also be offered in other areas on campus. Some of preliminary plans include having an eating area in 103 Garrett-Strong where hot food would be served. There is currently a bakery and extra storage space in the basement of the Conference Center. They plan to offer Italian food, including Itza Pizza. The Administration Building will also supply dining space. The former mail room is going to offer cold food such as sandwiches and salads.

"It won't be the most convenient, obviously," Courter said. "But once we get the design board up and on display for people to see, I think that kind of enthusiasm will grow."

All these relocations come at a price — an estimated \$25 million, which students will have to pay. Tuition is projected to increase steadily over the next four years because of the cost of renovations. Currently in-state students pay \$84.50 per credit hour. Next year's cost will go up to \$90.75. Out-of-state students pay \$147.75 per credit hour and will pay \$157.75 next fall.



NO LOOKIN' BACK NOW

Senior B-back Kraig Evans leaves the field of play during Saturday's 44-38 win over Emporia State. Evans racked up 359 rushing yards during the regular season and hopes to be a part of the Bearcats' offensive juggernaut throughout the playoffs. The first round of the NCAA Division II playoffs begin at noon Saturday when the 'Cats play host to the Bison of North Dakota State.

Jennifer Meyer/
Photography Director

Refer to pages 6-8 for more Bearcat football.

Missouri recognizes local educator

Teacher receives honor for contributions to journalism program

by Nicole Fuller
Assignment Director

She was a pioneer for developing scholastic journalism throughout Missouri and established guidelines for journalism teachers throughout the state. It has been her dedication to teaching and journalism that has taken her to the top.

Opal Eckert was one of seven people inducted into the first Missouri Interscholastic Press Association Hall of Fame last Saturday at the Journalism Education Association convention in St. Louis.

Bill Hankins, Oak Park High School journalism adviser nominated Eckert for the honor. "It is a way of recognizing her for her early contributions to the Missouri school of journalism," Hankins said. "She is amazingly vital and a role

model in not only journalism but in education."

Hankins said Eckert is an outstanding woman who at the age of 92 is still active in the community. She plays an important role in Maryville.

Eckert was awarded the William Taft Award in 1997. She won the national journalism teacher of the year in 1963. She is one of the first leaders in Missouri Scholastic Journalism and also one of the first national teachers of the year.

Eckert still encourages students to take as many journalism classes as they can. She said she was "wished" into journalism and has not stopped loving it since.

"A group of students asked me to sign a petition so they could get a journalism course," Eckert said. "And not thinking I would be teaching it, I signed to support. Then in the summer, I found out that I was teaching the class. I never thought I would get so interested."



Erica Smith/Advertising Director

Bill Hankins presents Opal Eckert with the Hall of Fame Induction Award last Saturday at the JEA convention in St. Louis.

Speaker enlightens audience

Banquet pays tribute to field of farming

by Nicole Fuller
Assignment Director

When the estimated 300 people left the 37th Annual Nodaway County Farm-City Banquet Monday they were certified O.P.O. — Official Post Observers — fence posts, that is.

Joe Jeffrey, the evening speaker and fence post connoisseur, talked about the different types of fence posts he has encountered.

He is known as the "Post Toaster," and Jeffrey travels around the country giving presentations about the history of those apparently mundane "things" that hold up "bobwire," — fence posts. He also gives presentations on outhouses and food.

Jeffrey said he has been in 24 states and Canada three times and performs about 100 shows a year.

"I started this in about 1970-71," Jeffrey said. "It slowly developed into what it is today. I do this strictly for entertainment."

Duane Jewell, chairman of the chamber agriculture committee, saw Jeffreys perform before, said Judy Brohammer, Maryville Chamber of Commerce director.

"He has a speaking circuit, and Dr. Jewell has seen him perform so we invited him to be our guest speaker for this year's banquet," Brohammer said.

While Jeffrey provided entertainment for the evening, the main purpose of the banquet was to honor people in



Nicole Fuller/Assignment Director

Judy Brohammer presents the Farm Family of the Year Award to the Raymond Wilmes family at the 37th Annual Farm-City Banquet Monday night.

the field of farming.

The banquet, sponsored by the Maryville Chamber of Commerce, recognizes individuals in the farming community by distributing several different awards.

The farm family of the year was awarded to the Raymond Wilmes family for their outstanding excellence and strong contributions through farming, conservation

See Farm, page 4

Our View

OF THE UNIVERSITY

Be Santa Claus for children with Angel Tree program

To hear Bryan Vanosdale, director of campus activities, talk about the Angel Tree project is to understand the true meaning of Christmas.

When Vanosdale was at Tennessee Tech University before coming to Northwest, his campus took part in a program that encouraged faculty and students to buy Christmas gifts for needy children in that area.

With the help of local agencies, students could pick up a form — printed in the shape of an angel — that told what the children wanted for Christmas.

Unlike most children's Christmas lists, these lists often included requests for socks and underwear, or even a simple coloring book.

With a hint of tears in his eyes, Vanosdale told a story of when he delivered a bunch of these gifts to a group of children in Tennessee. A 6-year-old girl came up and tugged him on the pant leg and said, "Mister, are you Santa Claus?"

Vanosdale stood silently for a moment before responding, "No, honey, I'm not Santa Claus." He then handed the bag to one of the people helping distribute gifts and quickly walked outside. He stood by a pickup truck and sobbed.

Now at Northwest, Vanosdale, along with Julie Norlen, vice president of Panhellenic Council, and Evan Polly, vice president of Interfraternity Council, is helping bring that tremen-

dous spirit of giving with the first Angel Tree event.

Starting tonight at 6 p.m. with a tree-lighting ceremony, the event offers the opportunity for students and faculty to make a real difference in the life of one real child.

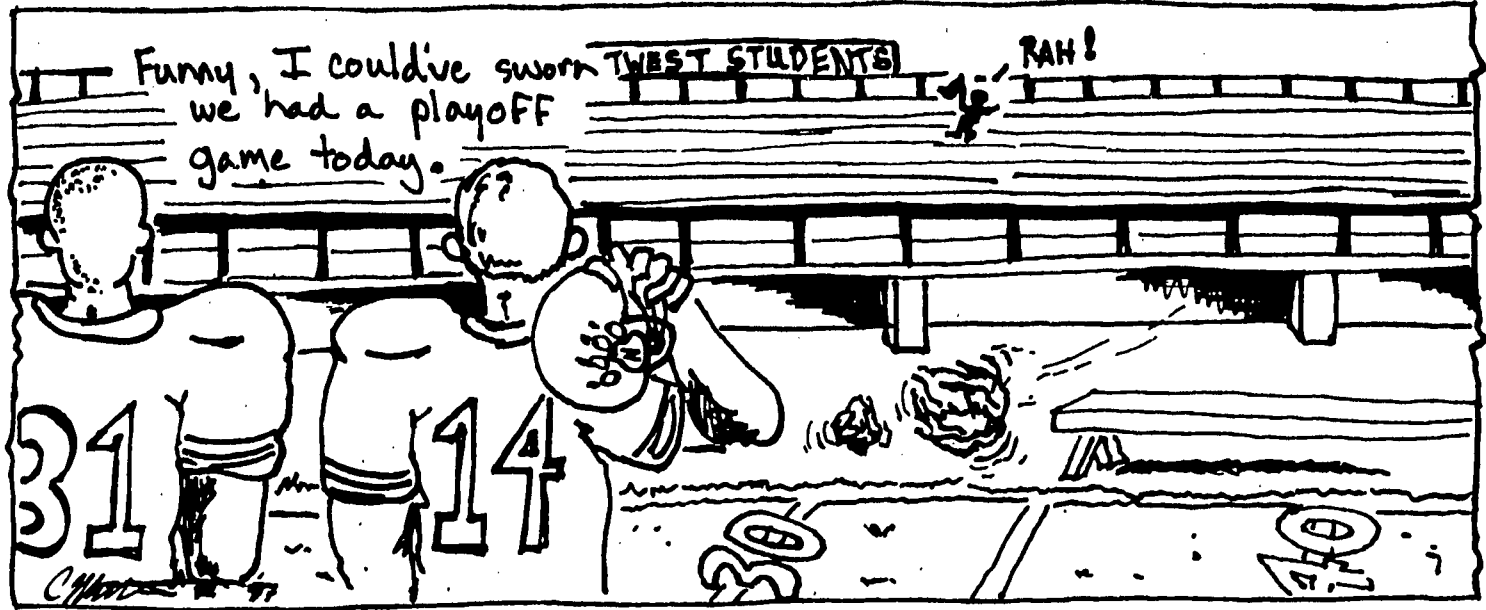
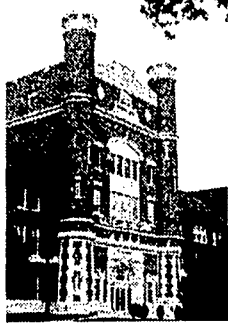
It's a simple enough request: Pick up an angel (or more if you can) and fulfill a child's wish for Christmas gifts. You can pick up angels tonight until Dec. 5. The gifts must be turned in by Dec. 12.

Along with Panhellenic Council and IFC, the Community Service Agency of Nodaway County is working with the Angel Tree program to provide the names of children who could use assistance.

All too often Christmas turns into a "me" holiday for most people. We make our wish lists filled with dreams of high-priced items and things we don't need.

What we truly need during this season is to explore the benefits of giving, and the Angel Tree is a perfect opportunity to do that. It won't cost that much, but the inner rewards you will reap will keep you warm throughout the year.

Vanosdale might have been wrong that day when he told the little girl that he wasn't Santa Claus — everyone who brings joy to children at Christmas qualifies for that title. It's now up to Northwest to play Santa Claus for Nodaway County children.



University View

Board realizes heart of Northwest



■ Marisa Sanchez

Serving as Regent proves to be positive experience

It all started on Valentine's Day, 1996 in Jefferson City. My two-year gubernatorial appointment to the Northwest Board of Regents, approved by Gov. Mel Carnahan, will be ending Jan. 1, 1998. I offer this article as an acknowledgment to how this experience has greatly enhanced my life.

My chief responsibility as a servant to the Board of Regents is to synthesize the opinion of the 5,000 plus Northwest students and provide an accurate account of what is in the best interest of students.

Short of calling every student personally, the task can be overwhelming. Instead, I have opted to attend Student Senate meetings, Strategic Planning and several "special" committee meetings. In addition to informing and addressing student concerns as faculty and staff have received, I have had many positive words of encourage-

ment and support by the Regents themselves.

I am not sure exactly how other Boards in the state operate, but I'm 100 percent assured that not a single one approaches the "team" effort and "family-type" atmosphere that the Northwest Board of Regents has shown me. For that reason, I regret that my term will soon end.

In March 1996, just one brief month after the hearing, the first issue facing the Board was formally brought to my attention — EC+ (Electronic Campus Plus).

Reflecting on that experience, I can not identify a single member of the Board who did not, at some point or another, ask my personal opinion in regard to the issue. Overwhelming and somewhat intimidating? Yes. But, those feelings were soon put to rest by the reassurance of the same Board members who quite openly

displayed their high regard for what the students feel about the issues.

Several other issues of more immediate concern to Northwest students were presented formally to the Board Tuesday. Again, I was there in the thick of the discussions, and again, the other members displayed their concern for students.

While to the majority of Northwest students, faculty and staff, the Board seems to be a distant governing body, this Board could not be closer in touch with the heart of what is Northwest.

Personally, the members of the Board have been nothing but amicable and sincere since my very first day "on the job," and I am assured that our relationship will continue past my final date of service to this admired Board.

Marisa Sanchez is the student Regent for the Board of Regents.

My Turn

Bearcats continue to strive for national championship



■ Colin McDonough

The shootout is set for high noon Saturday. The Bearcats and the North Dakota State University Bison will go at it in the NCAA Division II playoffs.

I can't believe I just said those words.

If I had said those words four years ago, I would have been laughed at by every person on this campus.

Covering the Bearcats was my first assignment for the *Missourian*, and I was definitely nervous.

I was just really excited to actually be writing about a collegiate football team.

Little did I know, but the Bearcats were one of Division II's worst football teams in 1994.

When the Bearcats opened their season with a 49-7 loss to Mankato State University — it finally hit me.

I came to the realization that maybe they were the "Bad News Bearcats."

But I couldn't judge a team by one game. The next week the squad traveled to East Texas State and were steamrolled again.

This continued throughout the '94 campaign and into the '95 season as well. The Bearcats never had a chance to notch a 'W.'

The losing streak rolled into my

sophomore year before it came to a surprising halt at the hands of the Southwest Baptist Bearcats.

Head coach, Mel Tjeerdsma and his coaching staff were building a machine to be reckoned with, but who could tell after only one win?

Ever since that win, the Bearcats have compiled a superlative record of 28-8, including two MIAA championships.

After four years and a complete overhaul of attitudes, this squad will try and conquer its next goal of reaching and claiming the national championship.

I have never doubted the Bearcats in all my years at Northwest.

There is no doubt in my mind that before leaving this University, Tjeerdsma will lead the team to a national championship trophy.

The crowd and school spirit has increased over the years. Whenever I said anything in the press box in the lean years, the coaches on the other side of the field could hear me.

With this newfound success, the crowds have grown in size and decibels. Now when I come to the stadium, I almost get lost in the shuffle.

It begs me to ask the question: Who let them Bearcats in the house? Who? Who?

I don't know whether it was Tjeerdsma, his staff or his personnel that let them in, but whatever they've done, it has been tremendous.

Colin McDonough is the managing editor for the Northwest Missourian.

My Turn

Hallways don't dissuade desire to teach



■ Colleen Cooke

Encounter with high school students awakens memories of crowds and insecurity, but strengthens vocational calling

I don't miss high school. Not one little bit. The older I get, the more sure I am of this.

The sardine hallways, the inane giggling, the helpless insecurity, the herd mentality, the unavoidable ignorance — good riddance.

And yet, I want to teach high school more than anything else.

Can anyone say contradictory?

This weekend, I attended a national convention of high school journalists. I came face to face with something I spent more than four years away from, and I came away more confident than ever that teaching is my calling.

To prepare myself for teaching high school, I wanted to attend some sessions at this conference, which about 3,900 high school students attended.

Going to a session was simple enough: Arrive before the start time and find a seat. I just didn't anticipate the roadblocks ahead.

Apparently, every student wanted to attend the 10 a.m. Friday session on yearbook design, and I had to wade my way through them.

The escalator deposited me into a sea of similarly dressed people joined in strange conglomerations.

Some formed snake-like lines so they would not lose each other in the chaos. Others joined at the

hips and backpacks and barreled over the crowd. More infuriating ones simply floated aimlessly and stopped in my path to announce "I don't know where I'm going."

Somehow, I needed to maneuver my way through this. These aren't exactly the skills I learned in my methods classes. I get the feeling they should have been.

These kids, however, adapted to high school hallways that seem to be universally congested. They show no mercy for fools who dare step an uncertain foot into their building between classes.

It took 10 minutes to move 25 feet past the escalator. I finally made it to the room for the session. From my vantage point, I could already see seats were scarce, but after standing through the last session, I was determined to sit.

With a muffled gasp, I broke free of the pack. I peeked into the room and saw groups sitting on the floor — not a good sign.

Behind me, I heard an ominous rumble move closer. Two hundred people clad in retro 1970s apparel and denim and armed with convention booklets and Eastpaks came streaming forward. If I didn't move, I would become part of the convoluted pattern of the carpet.

I hid behind a door as the chaos

melted away and the sessions started. On my way to the Northwest booth, I clenched my hands and mumbled impolite thoughts. The consensus at the booth was that I ought to reconsider my vocation if one encounter with students unraveled me so.

But I don't think it was the contact with students that unnerved me. It was the feeling that I warped back to high school, when I had to maneuver those hallways and felt insecurity stab at me.

I'm glad to be out of high school, but I still want to teach. I look forward to taking my place at the front of a classroom, looking out at a bunch of young people with excitement — not anxiety.

The conference sparked a fire of new ideas in me. I've hardly been able to concentrate on my assignments since I got back; all I can think about is how I would set up my classroom and the ideas I'd like to pass on to students.

"My object in living is to unite/ My vocation and my avocation/ As my two eyes unite in sight."

- Robert Frost.

I can't wait to teach. I just don't want to walk down those hallways.

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Letter to the Editor

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President recalls event

Dear Friends,

Mrs. Foster joins me in thanking each of you who had any part in making Homecoming 1997 the enor-

mous success it was.

We especially appreciate the accolades afforded us as Grand Marshals of the parade and the wonderful reception that evening.

We are very proud of Northwest and appreciate being included in its

many activities.

Wishing you a happy holiday season.

Robert P. Foster
President Emeritus

It's Your Turn

Does the Greek system encourage irresponsible drinking? Why or why not?



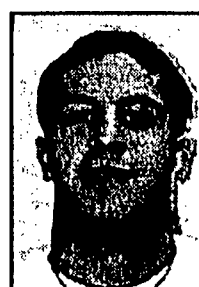
"Yes, because alcohol is readily available."

Gwen Beyer,
child and family
studies major



"No, I think they make drinking optional. They don't force it."

Trina Dunn,
finance major



"Yes, because the parties have alcohol, and many college students don't know how to control their drinking yet."

Jon Goldberg,
physical education
major



"No, because I am not a Greek, and I still drink irresponsibly."

Joe Staal,
undeclared major



"No, because people would still drink just as much even if they weren't Greeks."

B.J. Williams,
pre-law major



"Yes, because people, especially those going through Rush, feel obligated to drink to fit in."

Amanda Muller,
child and family
studies major

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Students have concern with some Senate action

by Mark Hornickel
Chief Reporter

With all of the major decisions being made to campus this week, the voice it affects the most are the students.

The voice of the students is represented by Student Senate. Some students believe their opinions have not been heard regarding the major decision-making process. Although, Senate is forming committees to inform the student body.

One example is the Student Senate open forum last week in the Student Union to discuss its view and answer students' questions concerning the Board of Regents meeting about trimesters Tuesday. Several students said Senate could better inform the students with publicized surveys and more forums.

"The student opinion is not represented at all," art major Angela Steuve said. "What, there was something like this one big meeting and that is supposed to be enough? No surveys or anything? — the students' opinions were not represented at all."

Many students said they received the impression at the forum that the Senate was not concerned with their opinions.

"Student Senate has been a scapegoat for people to criticize, and we're not going to let the forum intimidate us or say that it was a bad experience," said Angel Harris-Lewis Student Senate president. "There were not enough students taking it seriously. We thought we were doing a good job. The Spanish Den is jumping and that was our reason for having it there."

Unknown to some students, senate voted in favor of the proposed trimester calendar, the

increase in tuition and the Union and residence halls renovations.

Some students believe the Senate should seek out the students for their opinions, rather than the students seeking out the Senate for answers.

Harris-Lewis said the open forum was to let other students know where the Senate stood on the present issues.

"I know a lot of students felt that it was senators job to go out and try to get the responses," Harris-Lewis said. "But they have to understand there are 10 times as many students as the senators. If there's a student out there that thinks we need to go to the people, I encourage them to call the Student Senate office and tell us."

Student Senator Michelle Ludwig said the Senate will try additional forums, but the students had an opportunity to share their opinions.

"(The students have) had a chance to voice their opinions all along," Ludwig said. "They can talk to their reps and the reps can relate back to Senate. They can call the Senate office; they can find someone to talk to."

Harris-Lewis believes the Senate's job to present the issues of the University to the students is important. She said the Senate is doing their best to inform students of current issues.

"We'll have these meetings whether they are issues or not," Harris-Lewis said. "It's a way that students can come to us and say, 'Hey, I thought of this while I was in the shower today. Here's what you should do.'"

Senate has an additional way to inform students with a committee called the Student Strategic Planning Council.

Administrators do not supervise the meetings, although they may be called on to address certain questions. Harris said almost 90 percent of the students are not members of Senate.

Bearcat Pride



Jennifer Meyer/Photography Director

Mayor Bridget Brown reads the proclamation that declared Friday "Bearcat Pride Day" and Saturday "Bearcat Football Day" in Maryville. Mayor Brown was joined Wednesday by City Council members Dale Mathes, George English and Jerry Riggs. Also attending were Robert Foster, former University President, Rich Alsop and Bud Williams, University cross country coaches, University President Dean Hubbard, Bobby Bearcat, Mel Tjeerdma, head football coach and Bearcat football captains

Chris Grelsen, Adam Dorrel (standing), Matt Becker and Dante Combs. Mayor Brown encourages everyone to wear their green and white Friday to support the Bearcats' first-round playoff game with North Dakota State University. This is the first time the Bearcats have had a postseason game at Rickenbrode Stadium. The Bison come in with a 9-2 record. Kickoff is scheduled for noon Saturday with a special breakfast at 9 a.m. at the Alumni House.

Fraternity starts house with ground breaking

by Mark Hornickel
Chief Reporter

For the members of the Tau Kappa Epsilon fraternity, their goal of building a new house is coming true.

The fraternity broke ground for its new house last Saturday and plan to begin construction around March 1. Depending on the contractors, the house should be ready early next fall, TKE adviser Russ Northrup said.

"It's a big step for us," TKE president Chris Peasley said. "We've been dreaming about this for a long time, and now our dreams are finally being realized."

The new house, in the 500 block of West Ninth Street, will be all brick and approximately 8,000 square feet. It will be home to 32 men, and the rooms will be in the form of suites — two rooms to one bathroom and two people in a room.

The new house will also feature a full kitchen and eating area, a partial basement, a formal lounge and a chapter room with a fireplace.

The lot is also large enough to accommodate parking and recreational equipment.

"The house will be designed specifically for fraternity living," Peasley said. "It will withstand the pressures of everyday living. It will have a room where we can sit down and hold meetings, and it will be built toward our needs."

The most unique aspect is that it will be the first house built for a fraternity. The current fraternity houses are converted residences, and they are somewhat inadequate for the needs of fraternity living, Northrup said.

Northrup said the location and the nature will set a new precedent for Northwest fraternity houses, and it will help not only the image of TKE but all fraternities.

"The community is tickled to death that we're moving into an industrial area of the community, and it's closer to the University," Northrup said. "Fraternities are in the process of healing themselves after the 70s and 80s. Too often, we hear about hazing and alcohol poisoning. We're working on maintaining the philosophy that fraternities are supposed to create better leaders."

The TKE Board of Trustees has finished preliminary plans and elevation drawings and are working on



Amy Roh/Contributing photographer

TKE president Chris Peasley and vice president Derek Owen take part in the initial formal ground breaking, as the rest of the chapter looked on last Saturday. The fraternity plans to start construction March 1.

giving our construction bids.

The fraternity lost its house to an electrical fire last fall.

However, several pieces of memorabilia were salvaged. They will be displayed in the new house in their own room called the 222 room.

The fire pushed along the plans the fraternity had already started for a new house.

Larry Apple, TKE Board of Trustees member, said a new house was the main goal when the Board reorganized about four years ago.

"The fire was the catalyst for the whole project," Peasley said. "We had been working on this since the 60s and it had kind of been placed on the back burner. After the fire, it put the plan in full motion and spurred it on."

The project was launched in May after the alumni selected a finance committee that includes people from all over the Midwest.

"We want to raise \$200,000, and we think that objective is reasonable," Northrup said.

Faculty share views on trimesters

by Toru Yamauchi
Chief Reporter

The decision by the Board of Regents to approve trimesters produced mixed reactions among faculty, when they found out Tuesday.

Tom Zweifel, Faculty Senate president, said the Board delivered all the points about trimesters well.

However, Zweifel said the Board did not answer the particular issues of the Senate resolution about time on task and compensation.

"The Board of Regents was trying to make a decision one way or the other," Zweifel said. "There wasn't time to develop specific responses. I think these issues will continue to be addressed (by the Board)."

Zweifel said Faculty Senate will discuss the time on task issue, if the instructors can cover the same ma-

terials in a shorter term. Also, the administrators are willing to solve the compensation issue regarding the faculty's salary in the summer.

"We will be compensated during summer school the way we are now," Zweifel said. "But it doesn't address someone (who) teaches full time (in the summer)."

Even though there are unanswered questions, some faculty are supportive about the calendar.

Accounting instructor Dave Hancock said he was opposed to three equal trimesters which was originally proposed. But he believes the modified trimester is acceptable.

Richard Fulton, political science department chairman, said although he is supportive of the Board's decision, the University needs to implement it carefully.

"I support it cautiously and watch exactly what we will do with this,"

Fulton said. "I think there are a lot of opportunities here, as long as we don't try to fool ourselves into thinking that by offering a lot of courses a lot of people come. We have to be careful not to spend a lot of money with very few students."

The changes in the summer will vary in each department. Lee Hageman, art department chairman, said the summer calendar will not have much effect on his department because only few general education courses will continue to be offered.

On the other hand, Hancock said more classes will be offered in the business department.

"I think it will help enrollment over all," Hancock said. "In the past, students are afraid to enroll in summer session, because they're not sure what classes are going to be offered."

Zweifel said faculty should take advantages of the new calendar.

Encore 'succeeds' in filling Mary Linn

by Burton Taylor
Missourian Staff

The sarcastic humor about the life of a businessman filled Mary Linn Performing Art Center Tuesday night.

The musical "How to Succeed in Business Without Really Trying" ended with a standing ovation from the audience.

This comedy musical was entertaining but was a bit misleading to people who were required to attend.

"I didn't originally want to go, but I had to for a class," biology major Michelle Spindle said. "But, I was really impressed and glad that I went."

Musicals from road companies are common at Northwest. For the last five years, the University has played host to about one or two a year.

Charles Schultz, professor of theater arts, believes that it is a good idea to bring these shows to campus because it allows community members and students to Mary Linn.

"The more good shows we have at Mary Linn, the more people will get into the habit of coming to all kinds of shows, including those that we do, and the ones that bring in the road company," Schultz said. "I was so tickled to see the large crowd that we had, and it is one of my favorite musicals."

The musical was based on the book written by Abe Burrows, Jack Weinstock and Willie Gilbert. The play was performed by an acting crew from New York City.

The musical was set in 1961 and took place at The World Wide Wicket Company in New York City. The story is about J. Pierrepont Finch, played by Jason Reiff, who led the cast as an eager window washer looking for success in the business world. He planned to do this with the help of his book "How to Succeed in Business Without Really Trying."

Following the book's instructions, Finch was able to get a job with the Wicket Company, and he eventually moved up the ladder of success without any help, aside from his little hand book and that of his personal admirer Rosemary Pinkington, played by Crystal Kachulis. Finch ends up snagging the chairman of the boards job out from under his nose.



Jennifer Meyer/Photography Director

J. Pierrepont Finch played by Jason Reiff, slings to capacity crowd Tuesday night during the performance of "How to Succeed in Business Without Really Trying." This is the first of three Encore plays that will be presented at Northwest this year.

In Brief

Angel tree lighting kicks off season

The Interfraternity and Panhellenic councils are sponsoring the first Angel Tree event which will help needy children in Nodaway County. There will be a tree lighting ceremony at 6 p.m. tonight at the Bell Tower; everyone is encouraged to take an angel from the tree. The angel will give information such as if the child is a boy or girl, favorite colors, clothing sizes and if they have any special requests for presents.

FOX show features Hickory Stick game

The Hickory Stick rivalry between Northwest and Truman State will be on the Fox Sports Network. The segment will be on a show called "NCAA Football — The Slant," which will be aired on channel 37 in Maryville.

The show will consist of football rivalries around the NCAA. The Hickory Stick is one of the longest rivalries in college football. It will air from Dec. 2-6. The schedule of the times has not been released.

University declares 'Quality' holiday

In recognition of the total team effort that the Missouri Quality Award represents, Danny Marsh, president of the Board of Regents, and the President's Cabinet have declared Nov. 26 as a "Culture of Quality" holiday. The hope is that during this day before Thanksgiving everyone will reflect on how much the University appreciates all the effort put into the University.

Senate prepares guide for students

Off-campus representatives for the Northwest Student Senate are publishing an off-campus housing guide. The guide will be distributed at spring verification Jan. 16 and 17.

The guide will include information regarding tenant rights and responsibilities, and also a list of landlord names and phone numbers.

The senators are trying to get every landlord in the guide.

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Day urges smokers to quit

by Kevin Schultz
Chief Reporter

In an attempt to promote nonsmoking and to get active smokers to kick the habit, the Great American Smokeout will be observed today across the nation and in Maryville.

Smoking is a leading cause among cancer-related deaths over the past decade. Over 100,000 deaths occur each year as a direct result of smoking.

"This is a wonderful day," said Joyce Bottorff, nursing coordinator at Student Health Services. "Smokeout Day takes people who are aware of smoking and helps them help their friends who may be trying to quit."

The purpose is to encourage smokers to think about why they smoke. It also provides a chance for nonsmokers to help others quit.

"We already have a smoke-free environ-

ment," said Tom Adams, Maryville High School activity director. "We just continue to do what we always have and that is consistent with Smokeout Day. We believe in a healthy, holistic lifestyle."

Local schools along with St. Francis Hospital are participating in a variety of activities to heighten awareness.

"We have planned many activities to mark the day," said Twila Henry, community relations director for St. Francis Hospital. "We will have bags of hard candy for those who smoke. Hopefully this will help ease their tension and calm them down."

Also, the hospital cafeteria will be serving a "cold turkey" meal throughout the

day in honor of those trying to quit smoking for good.

"I fully support anything that anyone can do to stop or not start (smoking) in the first place."

■ Suzanne Schmaljohn,
Eugene Field Elementary
School counselor

The day is also catching the attention of the younger generation at Eugene Field Elementary School.

"This day is wonderful," said Suzanne Schmaljohn, Eugene Field Elementary School counselor. "I see so many negatives from it (smoking). I fully support anything that anyone can do to stop or not start (smoking) in the first place. The fact is that we deal with a lot of teens whose parents have

cancer or other smoking-related problems and these are never good."

Butting out

The Great American Smokeout encourages all smokers to drop the habit. Here are some tips and some fast facts about smoking.

Go figure

- 30 percent of cancer deaths are related to smoking
- an estimated 146,000 Americans died of lung cancer in 1992
- of the typical 1,000 smokers, fewer than 20 percent succeed in stopping on the first try
- emphysema and chronic bronchitis are 10 times more likely to occur among smokers than among nonsmokers

The American Cancer Society offers these tips for quitting:

1. Pick a Q (Quit) Day and prepare for it by thinking of the health reasons for your actions.
2. Change to a low-tar and nicotine cigarette.
3. Chart your smoking habits for at least two weeks: how many cigarettes; when, where and why you smoke.
4. Write down each night, at least 10 times, one of your reasons for not smoking cigarettes.
5. Eliminate one situation when you smoke cigarettes — morning coffee, after a meal.
6. Get a supply of substitutes: mints, gum, healthful snacks, ginger root, etc.
7. Quit on Q day — try different substitutes as the wish to smoke recurs — enlist a friend in a busy series of events; alert non-smoking friends for support. Don't give up even if you have a lapse.
8. Keep reminding yourself of the risks of smoking.

National Smokeout Day

Sources: The American Cancer Society and the National Cancer Institute
Colleen Cooke/Editorial Assistant



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Cast members in Maryville High School's rendition of "Bone Chiller" rehearse the first act of the play Tuesday evening. The 13 students have been practicing for the

past seven weeks. They will perform at 7 p.m. Friday in the high school gymnasium. Admission to the performance is \$3 for adults and \$2 for students.

Students prepare to send 'chills'

by Stephanie Zielstra
Assistant News Editor

Maryville High School students hope to deliver a "chilling" performance Friday night.

A cast of 13 students will present at 7 p.m. the murder mystery comedy "Bone Chiller." This will be the first play of the season at the high school.

Twenty-six students tried out for the three-act play which pleased Karen Sovereign, journalism teacher and play director.

"We have a real good mix with freshmen through seniors acting in the play," Sovereign said. "Things are coming along real well. There is a lot of talent."

The students have been preparing for opening night for about seven weeks.

"The cast has been doing a super job and working really hard," Sovereign said.

Senior Cora Taylor is the student director. Taylor said she is interested in majoring in theater during college and has enjoyed the experience.

"I worked with the cast on lines, directing their acting and giving them stage direction," Taylor said. "I realize, as an actor, what they're going through, so I can help them in that way. The play has been a lot of fun to work with."

The performance centers around Josiah Travers, who requests his family and friends to go over to his house

before he dies.

The group of people, most of whom didn't know each other, were left to figure out his picture-puzzle will or rebus. Whoever figures out the rebus first will receive the money, which leads to comical situations.

The young actors have been helping each other prepare for the drama and memorize lines.

"I have had a lot of help with lines; my mom has even helped me rehearse," said freshman Shane Mullen, who plays Buzzy Burdett. "Tryouts really weren't that bad; I just gave it my all. I really wanted to get involved with acting."

The play will be in the high school gymnasium. Admission is \$3 for adults and \$2 for students.

School Board postpones awarding bid

by Mark Hornickel and JP Farris
Chief Reporters

The Maryville R-II School Board decided the numbers were still too high for the school district's building project last Thursday.

The architects and contractors started the negotiation process, and Mark Chalkey of Leo A. Daly spoke to the Board about changes that have been made in the proposed project.

District Superintendent Gary Bell said many of the changes deal with materials and supplies.

"It's hard to put an exact figure on (the cost of each material)," Bell said. "But the contractors are subcontractors who work with it and have an idea of what type of materials would work."

Bell said the Board is trying not to compromise the integrity of the educational specifications.

"I think with the reductions that we're considering now, we're really doing well at maintaining the educational specifications that we originally laid out," Bell said.

The contractors came to a potential savings of \$875,000. The current cost of the project is about \$9.322 million, which is \$122,000 over what the project should cost, Bell said.

"That puts us somewhat over budget of what we would anticipate, so we need to get it down to manageable figures," Bell said. "The problem is those reductions that some people would like to see, such as air conditioning at the elementary and at the high school. So we still have some work to do."

Depending on the financial condition of the district, Bell said there may be a possibility for additions in the future.

"Everything from the beginning of this project has been aimed at potential expansion," he said. "When you do this, you always want to leave room for things to be added at an economical cost in the future."

"You don't want to build everything in, and I think the architects have done an excellent job of looking at potential expansion. Anything that we could delay now could be

done with a reasonable amount of workmanship at a later date."

Northwest students discussed their experiences tutoring elementary students through the America Reads program at Wednesday's meeting.

Mike Thomson was honored as the Missouri Secondary School Counselor of the Year.

He also presented MMAT scores and told the Board that next year MMAT tests will be optional because the Missouri Advisory Program will be implemented.

The Driver's Education Program was approved for another year, after it was announced that it was successful and 80 of the 83 Maryville High School students passed.

The Board will meet at 6:30 p.m. tonight in the high school cafeteria.

Members will consider a negotiated bid from Leo A. Daly.

Bell said the Board would like to get some more figures and they will look at those details more specifically.

Eight more owners oppose Wabash Trail

Trlo of defendants withdraw from lawsuit

by Toru Yamauchi
Chief Reporter

A lawsuit over land for a proposed site of the Wabash Trace Nature Trail through Maryville heated up recently when three defendants withdrew from the suit, and eight more local landowners joined the plaintiff.

Three defending railroad companies — Norfolk Southern Corp., Norfolk Southern Railway Co., Norfolk and Western Railway Corp. — responded to a summons saying they do not have any interest in the proposed site of the land because they gave it away with quitclaim deed, an unguaranteed property title, to the Missouri Friends of the Wabash Trace Nature Trail, Inc., plaintiffs' attorney Rochelle Ecker said.

While the number of defendants was reduced to two, the Friends of Wabash and Maryville, an additional eight owners joined the preceding petition of Harvey "Bud" Williams, owner of H.D.W. Enterprises, Inc., to the Circuit Court of Nodaway County Division I.

Williams began the lawsuit early last month, saying a portion of the trail actually belongs to him and other adjacent landowners to the trail have the same argument.

"They (the Friends of the Wabash and Maryville) want to take the land from us," plaintiff Ralph Archer said. "And the Missouri Constitution says when the railroad was abandoned (in 1988), the land will go back to people who owned the land before. That's why I'm fighting. If I didn't think I owned it, I wouldn't have been fighting."

The Friends of Wabash responded to the summons by saying it will fight over the land, Ecker said.

Jerry Drake, attorney for the Wabash group, said he cannot comment about the lawsuit.

Although Maryville has not re-

sponded to the summons, the deadline is Nov. 30, said David Baird, Nodaway County prosecuting attorney, who is serving as the attorney for Maryville in the suit.

Baird said although he cannot comment about the lawsuit, he will file the response to the summons to the court by the end of November.

The issue started in 1995 when the Friends of Wabash purchased the old railroad trail through a quitclaim deed from the railroad company. Maryville became involved when it bought the portion of the land from the Friends of Wabash in February.

Ecker said although the lawsuit is just beginning, she is satisfied with it.

"We're pleased with the way things are going," Ecker said. "(But) it will take time."

Williams said this is also the battle for other people living in Maryville.

"The public and students need to know we do live in a democracy," she said. "And they (the Friends of Wabash and Maryville) can't just come in and take your property without good reasons."

Another reason the plaintiffs were fighting against the creation of nature trail is the possibility that it could become a place for negative activities.

"Everybody living with the railroad track, they don't want to have a dump and drug-related incidents," Williams said. "And the Maryville police force doesn't have enough police to enforce security."

Williams said another eight adjacent landowners to the trail plan to join his lawsuit, but the names have not been released.

Along with the lawsuit in Nodaway County, a suit involving Danny Moore, primary litigant against the nature trail in Atchison County, is waiting for the Friends of Wabash to file a motion for the summary judgment. The deadline for the motion was postponed to Dec. 8, Ecker said.

Farm

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and community service.

The Wilmes family began farming in 1960 and have been doing it for almost 40 years. Raymond and Roberta have been married for 35 years and have five children.

Their children have been outstanding in service acts and farming as well.

"They began small and then grew to a larger farm," Jewell said. "They now have trimmed back to spend more time on their hobbies."

Roberta Wilmes was surprised when they announced her family as the winner. She was not expecting

to win because of the other nominations and competition they were going against.

"It is quite an honor and we are still shocked," Wilmes said. "We are thankful because things does not always come in life that are unexpected."

Along with farm family, awards were given for outstanding farm youth to Melanie Acklin and outstanding farm woman to Chelyn Lager.

Hale Sanders, Parnell, was inducted into the Nodaway County Agriculture Hall of Fame. Sanders was recognized for his outstanding dedication and strong ambition in farming.

In Brief

Company merges with competition

Roosevelt Bank was purchased by Mercantile Bancorporation, and all Roosevelt accounts were transferred to Mercantile accounts Monday.

The merger will create about 500 additional locations throughout Missouri, Illinois, Kansas, Iowa and Arkansas.

Mercantile will continue many of Roosevelt's services such as Roosevelt's free checking account, bill payments by phone and check cards.

Customers are able to pay their bills by a phone call. They can pay an unlimited number of merchant accounts and arrange for automatic recurring payments.

Both ATM and check cards allow customers to withdraw cash, check a balance, transfer funds and make deposits.

For their convenience, customers may also use ATM cards at any Mercantile location without having to pay a fee.

Chamber decorates park for holidays

Franklin Park will become a "Winter Wonderland" this season at 10 a.m. Saturday. The Maryville Chamber of Commerce will decorate the park with Christmas lights.

Anyone interested is invited to come participate. Refreshments will be offered for all volunteers.

Event highlights seasonal shopping

Maryville businesses are ready to kick off the annual citywide Holiday Open House. This year's event will be from noon to 4 p.m. Sunday.

Employees of local businesses will be dressed up to start the holiday shopping season. Customers can browse the stores and see what merchandise they offer. Some businesses will also be serving refreshments.

Club's blood drive attracts donors

A bloodmobile sponsored by the Business and Professional Women Club Nov. 13 was at the First United Methodist Church. The bloodmobile had nearly 200 participants.

Fifty-seven people were announced as "Friends 4 Life," and presented a T-shirt or mug. A "Friend 4 Life" is a person who has donated blood four times in one year.

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Public Safety

November 8

■ While an officer was on patrol in the 900 block of South Main Street, he observed a vehicle run off the roadway and returned onto the roadway. The vehicle was stopped and while talking with the driver, Cecil R. Green, 32, Maryville, an odor of intoxicants was detected. He was asked to perform a field sobriety test which he could not complete successfully. He was arrested on charges of driving while intoxicated after his blood alcohol content tested over the legal limit. He was also issued a citation for leaving the roadway.

■ An officer took a report from a local business that a male subject had left without paying for gasoline. Estimated value was \$10.01.

■ While on patrol in the 700 block of North Filmore Street, an officer observed female subjects walking and carrying alcoholic beverages. When two of the subjects observed the officer, they sat the alcohol on the ground and started to walk away. They were stopped and identified as Jennifer S. Curry, 19, Maryville, and Renee L. Dalton, 20, Kansas City. They were both issued summons for minor in possession and littering.

■ The vehicles of Shanelle A. Jackson, Barnard, Merel D. Poppa, Maryville, and Chad J. Legate, Maryville, were southbound on U.S. 71. Legate was stopped in traffic and Poppa was slowing down. Jackson pulled from Summit Drive onto 71 and struck Poppa in the rear causing him to strike Legate in the rear. A citation was issued to Jackson for failure to exercise.

November 9

■ A Maryville male reported to an officer that he had been assaulted by another male in the 400 block of North Buchanan Street.

■ An officer issued a summons for affray following an incident in the 1100 block of South Main Street to the following people: Jeffrey T. Peve, 34, St. Joseph; Chad A. Powell, 21, Stewartville; Kelly A. Sunken, 18; and Erin M. Douglass, 18, both of Maryville.

■ A bicycle was recovered from the 400 block of East Second Street.

Another bicycle was recovered from the 400 block of Lawn Avenue.

November 10

■ A Maryville female reported to an officer that while her vehicle was parked at her residence, it appeared that someone jumped on the hood causing a huge dent.

■ Charles R. Cousins, Griswold, Iowa, was westbound on 16th Street. While attempting to make a turn, he turned in front of the vehicle of Laura J. Lambert, Maryville, who was eastbound on 16th Street. A citation was issued to Cousins for careless and imprudent driving.

■ Fire units responded to a residence north of Maryville on a complaint of an odor of gas. Upon arrival, a gas smell was detected near the furnace. The owners were advised to have someone check the furnace.

■ An officer took a report from a Maryville female who said she was being harassed by a male subject.

■ Fire units responded to the 600 block of South Main Street on a fire call. Upon arrival, no fire was showing and after checking the building, it was determined there was a problem with the furnace.

November 11

■ An officer took a report from a Maryville male who said he has been receiving harassing phone calls.

■ A nine-year-old Maryville male was referred to the juvenile officer following an incident in the 200 block of East Second Street in which he caused a disturbance.

■ An officer arrested April S. Runnels, 22, Albany, on charges of larceny following an incident at a local business in which a carton of cigarettes, video tape and activity magnets were taken without being paid for. Estimated value was \$35.40. She was released after posting bond.

■ The vehicle of Della M. Owens, Maryville, was northbound on Munn Street and pulled into traffic from a posted stop sign and struck the vehicle of Lori A. Mardis, Maryville, who was westbound on First Street. A citation was issued to Owens for failure to yield.

■ The vehicle of Marvin E. Turner Jr., Stanberry, was eastbound on Sixth Street and pulled into traffic from a posted stop sign and struck the vehicle of Jane A. Poe, who was southbound on Market Street. A citation was issued to Turner for failure to yield.

November 12

■ While a vehicle of the Amoco Corporation, Chicago, was parked, it was struck by the vehicle of Amber A. Vanwyk, Maryville, who left the scene. After receiving the license plate number and description of Vanwyk's vehicle, it was later located. A citation was issued to Vanwyk for careless and imprudent driving and leaving the scene of an accident.

■ An officer was serving a Maryville Municipal Court warrant for failure to appear to Terry A. Troncin, 19, Hopkins, when the officers observed Troncin throw an object on the ground. Upon retrieval of the item, it was determined to be a bag containing a green leafy substance which tested positive for marijuana. He is being held pending charges.

November 13

■ An officer took a report from a local business that they were missing a blue Bluejet Anhydrous Applicator with 11 knives.

■ A Maryville female reported to an officer that her house had been shot at with paintballs damaging a window screen.

■ An officer took a report from a Maryville male who said his residence was shot at with paintballs causing paint splatters on the front of the residence.

■ A Maryville male reported he discovered paint splatters from paintballs on the siding of his residence and the garage door. One paintball had damaged the siding leaving a small indentation.

■ The vehicle of Tabetha A. Verbick, Maryville, was northbound on Main Street. She said she fell asleep and left the roadway striking a light pole. Verbick received probable but not apparent injuries. No citations were issued.

November 14

■ A Maryville female reported to an officer the theft of her 1990 Pontiac Grand Am from her residence. The vehicle was locked but had a spare set of keys in it. After receiving the report, it was determined the vehicle had been recovered on campus where it had been involved in a damage to campus property.

■ An officer took a report from a local business that a window had been broken out. It appeared it had been kicked in. Nothing was found to be missing.

■ An officer took a report of two mailboxes being damaged. It appeared that they had been hit by a vehicle.

■ A Ravenwood male reported that while driving in town he was followed by another vehicle. While stopped at a stop light, he was struck in the rear by the vehicle. The case was referred to the prosecutor.

■ An officer took a report of a window of a local business being broken. A sign hanging in the window had also been broken.

November 15

■ A Maryville female reported that while her vehicle was parked in the 400 block of North Buchanan Street, the passenger-side window was broken. Nothing was found missing.

■ A fire unit responded to the 700 block of West Torrance Street on a telephone call for service. The owner stated her oven had made a popping sound. Upon investigation, no fire or smoke was found and it was determined the heating element had malfunctioned.

■ The vehicles of Jami M. Anderson, Maryville, and Travis L. Foy, Sidney, Ohio, were southbound on Main Street. Foy was slowing down to make a turn when his vehicle was struck in the rear by Anderson. A citation was issued to Anderson for careless and imprudent driving.

November 16

■ An officer served a Municipal Court warrant for failure to appear to Anthony R. Maxwell, 18,

Maryville. He is being held for bond.

■ The vehicle of Christopher G. Blum, Maryville, was southbound on Main Street and the vehicle of Nyrce D. Brown, Maryville, was northbound on Main Street. Brown attempted to make a turn and her vehicle was struck by Blum.

November 17

■ Following an incident in the 100 block of North Davis Street, an officer issued a summons to Robert L. Sturm, 21, Maryville, on charges of assault.

Campus Safety

November 7

■ Campus Safety received a complaint of individuals throwing trash from a building on campus. Forty summons to the vice president of student affairs was issued for littering.

November 8

■ Campus Safety received a report from a staff member concerning fraternity hazing. An investigation was initiated.

November 9

■ A student reported receiving harassing phone messages. An investigation was initiated.

November 10

■ A staff member reported vandalism to a bathroom in a building on campus. An investigation was initiated.

■ A student reported receiving harassing messages over the computer system. The offender was located and issued a warning for behavior.

November 11

■ Campus Safety responded to a fire alarm in a building on campus. The alarm was unfounded.

■ Campus Safety responded to a medical emergency in a building on campus. The patient was assisted by emergency medical services and was transported to St. Francis Hospital.

November 13

■ Campus Safety investigated a report of a stolen vehicle on campus. Information was gathered, and the victim later informed Campus Safety that the report was falsified. The report was forwarded to the Prosecutor's office.

■ Campus Safety investigated a possible littering/disorderly conduct at a building on campus. The offender was unable to be located. An investigation was initiated.

■ Campus Safety investigated a stolen motor vehicle involved in damaging University property. Suspects were located and interviewed by Maryville Public Safety.

November 14

■ A student reported receiving harassing phone calls. An investigation was initiated.

Obituaries

J Darell Quinn

J Darell Quinn, 85, Maryville, died Nov. 10 at Parkdale Manor Nursing Home in Maryville.

He was born March 19, 1912, to Rosa Lee and Jimmy Dick Quinn in Gentry.

Survivors include his wife; one son; and two nieces.

Services were Nov. 13 at the Price Funeral Home Chapel in Maryville.

Bernice Stafford

Bernice Stafford, 94, died Nov. 12 at Heritage Health Care Center in Gering, Neb.

She was born Nov. 5, 1903, to Francis Perry and Gertrude Maude Holt in Bushnell, Ill.

Survivors include one daughter; six grandchildren; and 17 great-grandchildren.

Services were Nov. 15 at the Price Funeral Home Chapel in Maryville.

New Arrivals

Cheyenne Irene Cowan

Brenda Link and Scott Cowan, Sheridan, are the parents of Cheyenne Irene, born Nov. 4 at St. Francis Hospital in Maryville.

She weighed 9 pounds and 4 ounces and joins two sisters and four brothers.

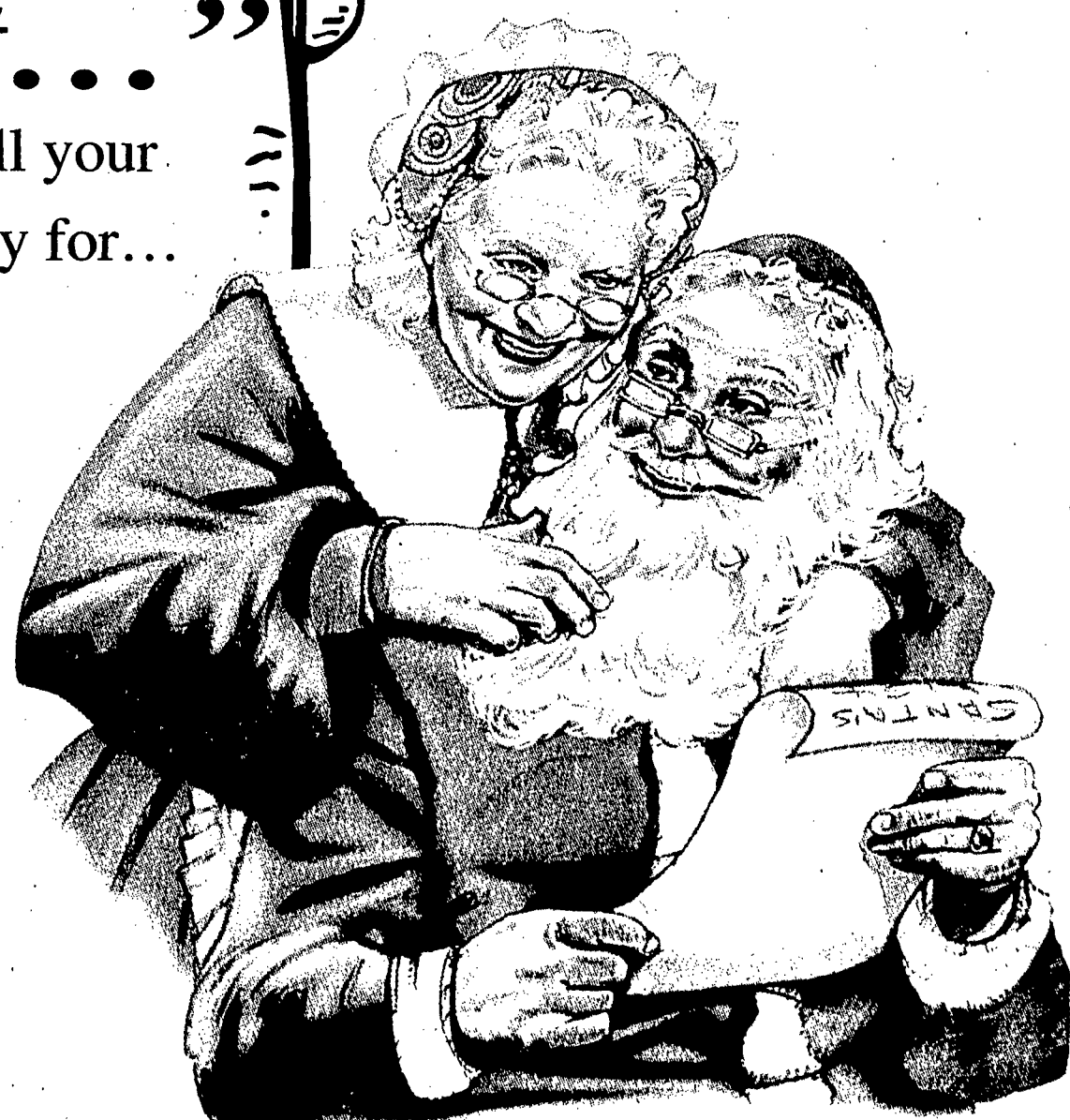
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Northwest, North Dakota State will wage playoff war



Junior quarterback Chris Grelsen drops back to pass in Saturday's triumph over Emporia State, 44-38. Northwest clinched their second straight MIAA title with the win. The 'Cats focus is on the NCAA Division II playoffs and North Dakota State. If the Bearcat fans provide a sellout crowd and the 'Cats nip the Bison, another home playoff game is likely.

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No. 3 'Cats begin march to Alabama

by Collin McDonough
Managing Editor

It is sudden death — a do or die situation, but the second season is what the Bearcats have fought for all year.

It all boils down to this as the Bearcats play host to the North Dakota State University Bison Saturday. It marks the first-ever home playoff game at Northwest with the kickoff slated for noon.

"Now, it's just a matter of taking care of business each week because it's a whole new situation," head coach Mel Tjeerdsma said. "We're in sudden death now — lose and it's over."

The Bison enter the contest with a mark of 9-2 and a record of 7-2 in the North Central Conference. Northwest brings a mark of 11-0, including a perfect 9-0 mark in the MIAA. The 'Cats are ranked No. 3 in the nation while the Bison are No. 16.

Bob Babich, North Dakota State head coach, said he thinks both squads will come ready to play in the postseason.

"(Northwest) players are excited and confident as are our players," Babich said. "It's the second season now, and there is no time for mental letdowns or lack of execution when you play this game."

Seating info:

Bearcat fans looking to attend Saturday's game need to remember not to sit between the 30-yard lines on the west side of Rickenbrode Stadium. Those seats are reserved for North Dakota State fans.

Fans should arrive at the game early to gain seats. There will be standing-room-only sections in the north and south end zones.

Tjeerdsma said there will be a few factors riding on Saturday's game.

"Turnovers will be a real key," he said. "Along with mistakes and penalties. We've had a little problem with that, and I think that's something we're going to have to eliminate. If our offense can do their job, score some points and not turn the ball over — I think we'll be in good shape."

The game will come down to a battle on defense, Tjeerdsma said.

"You know when you have two very good defensive teams like we have, then it becomes which offense continues to execute and do things right and which team makes the mistakes," Tjeerdsma said.

The strength of the Bison is evi-

dent in the numbers.

"I would call them a defensive football team," Tjeerdsma said. "Statistically they rank right up there in the country. They rank No. 1 in turnover margin."

Jake Morris, senior running back for the Bison, has rushed for 1,710 yards and 15 touchdowns this season.

"He's a little different than anybody we've seen," Tjeerdsma said. "He might be faster than anybody we've played. If he can get around the corner, he's pretty tough to catch."

Although Babich has only watched the Bearcats on videotape, he thinks they are very impressive.

"They are a very athletic team and an excellent team that has a very productive offense," Babich said. "Defensively, they are as good athletically as we have seen all year. Anytime you go 11-0, you've got a pretty good football team."

Dave Purnell, sophomore placekicker/punter, said the 'Cats have to put their perfect season behind them and focus on the present task at hand.

"Basically, we're 11-0, and we have to scratch that off our minds," Purnell said. "We are just going to have to take it like another home game and do our best."

Northwest schedule

@Midwestern State, 52-14	W
@Wayne State, 57-7	W
Missouri Southern, 31-26	W
Missouri Western, 52-13	W
Washburn, 17-14	W
Missouri-Rolla, 38-3	W
Southwest Baptist, 59-3	W
@Pittsburg State, 15-14	W
Central Missouri State, 41-9	W
Truman State, 34-10	W
@Emporia State, 44-38	

Bold games are MIAA games.

NDSU schedule

West Georgia State, 31-14	W
Texas A&M-Commerce, 51-0	W
Nebraska-Omaha, 21-27	L
Augustana, 37-0	W
@Northern Colorado, 28-24	W
Morningside, 35-0	W
@North Dakota, 31-10	W
@South Dakota State, 27-34	L
St. Cloud State, 31-0	W
@Mankato State, 47-20	W
@South Dakota, 24-21 OT	W

Bold games are NCC games.

'Cats shatter 20 records on way to perfect season

Marks are falling at a record pace this season for the Bearcats as they roll into the NCAA Division II playoffs Saturday.

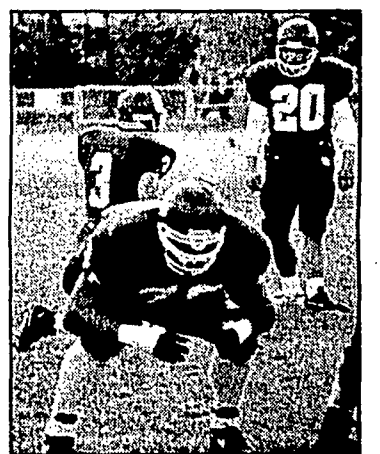
The 'Cats have set or tied 20 team or individual records this season including points scored with 440 and most wins with 11.

Dave Purnell, sophomore placekicker/punter set six records for the Bearcats including: most points by kicker (96), most PATs attempted in a season (56), most PATs attempted in a career (95), most field goals in a game (3), most field goals in a season (14) and highest field goal percentage in a season (.875, 14-16).

"It's a very big honor," Purnell said. "You really don't hear that much about a kicker on a winning football team. It's a big honor, and I'm very proud of it. I couldn't have done it without (junior safety Brian) Sutton and the offensive line."

The 'Cats set the team record for points scored in a season, and head coach Mel Tjeerdsma said it is an impressive statistic.

"It says a lot about our team," Tjeerdsma said. "We can score a lot of points, and we rolled up a lot of offense."



Jennifer Meyer/Photography Director
Sophomore kicker Dave Purnell lines up to attempt a kick.

Team records

Most victories in season — 11
Win-loss percentage — 1.000
Season scoring — 440
Highest scoring average — 40.0
Most TDs scored — 57
Most PATs kicked — 56
Most field goals made — 14
Season total offense — 4,554
Total offense/game — 414.0
Highest avg./pass attempt — 8.7

Lineman earns spot in Snow Bowl

The team aspect is showing once again for the football squad.

Josh Baker, senior offensive tackle, earned a trip to the Snow Bowl, a Division II all-star game Jan. 10, in the FargoDome in Fargo, N.D.

Baker said it is great to receive the honor, but he has other ideas at this point.

"My heart's in the team, and the playoffs are more important," Baker said. "I'd rather be playing

for a national championship. But this is just icing on the cake."

Head coach Mel Tjeerdsma said he is not surprised to hear Baker's reaction to earning a spot.

"That's the great thing about our football team," Tjeerdsma said. "We always treat team first, and it is something that is after the season is over for him to enjoy."

Players are nominated by coaches who turn in a list to a committee that evaluate the players.

Statistical comparison

Northwest	North Dakota State
Grelsen - 2,456 yards, 23 TD, 7 INT	Feeney - 1,321 yards, 16 TD, 7 INT
Lane - 112-737 yards, 11 TD	Morris - 280-1,710 yards, 15 TD
Hanson - 30 catches, 475 yards	Strehlow - 32 catches 585 yards
Lane, Purnell - 96 points	Morris - 90 points
Crowe - 124 tackles, 5.5 sacks	Fredricks - 128 tackles, 1 sack
Sutton, Nelson - 3 INT	McKinnon, Swanson - 2 INT
414 yards total offense	Off. yds./game 401 yards total offense
248.8 yards total defense	Def. yds./game 274.1 yards total defense
440 points, 40.0 ppg	Scoring offense 363 points, 33.0 ppg
151 points, 13.7 ppg	Scoring defense 150 points, 13.6 ppg
51 (Buckwalter G, Knutson, G)	Sacks (leader) 30 (Steffen 7)
14 (24 gained, 20 lost)	Turnover margin +22 (95 gained, 13 lost)

Starting lineups

OFFENSE			DEFENSE		
Northwest	North Dakota State	Northwest	North Dakota State	Northwest	North Dakota State
14 C. Grelsen	QB 19 K. Feeney	87 A. Buckwalter	DE 94 H. Lawler	14 C. Grelsen	QB 19 K. Feeney
1 C. Pugh	RB 25 J. Morris	53 A. Becker	DT 97 R. Steffen	1 C. Pugh	RB 25 J. Morris
39 K. Evans	FB 36 M. Roller	93 M. Voge	NT 90 K. Greger	39 K. Evans	FB 36 M. Roller
88 M. Becker	TE 64 B. Veen	92 C. Sidwell	DE 98 C. Gellistad	88 M. Becker	TE 64 B. Veen
79 J. Baker	G 61 S. Markell	41 D. Combs	LB 12 J. McKinnon	79 J. Baker	G 61 S. Markell
72 C. Thompson	C 74 J. Samuel	7 A. Crowe	LB 46 S. Fredricks	72 C. Thompson	C 74 J. Samuel
51 S. Coppinger	C 54 C. Simmers	31 K. Singletary	LB 40 B. Abneman	51 S. Coppinger	C 54 C. Simmers
58 A. Espelund	T 73 J. Neumann	23 T. Youngs	CB 8 A. Skyberg	58 A. Espelund	T 73 J. Neumann
75 A. Dorrel	T 65 J. Sernchenko	25 B. Nelson	CB 6 M. Swanson	75 A. Dorrel	T 65 J. Sernchenko
21 W. Hanson	WR 80 T. Strehlow	3 B. Sutton	FS 15 M. Kallenbach	21 W. Hanson	WR 80 T. Strehlow
10 T. Miles	WR 21 N. Zezza	12 D. Keys	SS 20 R. McCullum	10 T. Miles	WR 21 N. Zezza
20 D. Purnell	PR 16 K. Johnson	25 B. Nelson	PR 15 M. Kallenbach	20 D. Purnell	PR 16 K. Johnson
53 A. Becker	LS 90 K. Greger	10 T. Miles	PR 80 T. Strehlow	53 A. Becker	LS 90 K. Greger
3 B. Sutton	LS 4 G. Ischewski	19 M. Lawson	KR 25 J. Morris	3 B. Sutton	LS 4 G. Ischewski
20 D. Purnell	P 11 J. Torrance	1 C. Pugh	KR 21 N. Zezza	20 D. Purnell	P 11 J. Torrance

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Gridiron comparison: Who's the best of the best? Here's a look at Northwest's stellar squads from '96, '97



■ Rob J. Brown

The Bearcat football program, the University and Maryville have enjoyed success the past two years, touting two MIAA conference championships and playoff-bound teams.

Despite their obvious similarities, these two squads carry different abilities and playing styles. As a sports writer and fan of the Bearcats, I have had the opportunity to take an in-depth look at both the 1996 and '97 squads. Listed below is a commentary comparing each section of the two teams. My pick of the better area is marked by a check mark.

Overall, I do believe this year's team is better and possibly the best in the 82 years of Bearcat football. The few mistakes the '96 team made, this year's crew has learned from them and hopes and better its '96 campaign.

Despite the on-the-field talents of the '97

squad, its strength is in leadership. Captains Matt Becker, Dante Combs, Adam Dorrel and Chris Greisen have taken note from head coach Mel Tjeerdsma and molded its team for success.

I hope their success leads to Florence, Ala., the site for the Division II football championship, but the road ahead is long and treacherous.

The playoffs are the start of a whole new season; 11-0 is thrown out the window — one loss and you're going home. So let's keep our eyes set on slaughtering the Bison of North Dakota State Saturday and take one game at a time.

It has always been my motto to get out of the past and live in the now, but I thought I'd offer a bit of opinion comparing these two powerhouse 'Cat squads.

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John Petrovic/Missourian staff
Junior A-back Derek Lane races past two Central Missouri State defenders. Lane has been an intricate player in both the 1996 and '97 MIAA conference champion Bearcat football teams.

MIAA co-champions, roster contained 1 all-American, member of NFL, 11-2

'96

vs.

'97

Outright MIAA champions, holder of 10 team school records, 11-0

'96

Quarterback

'97

It's extremely hard to knock a guy who owns 17 Northwest school passing records, but I am going to. Last year's quarterback **Greg Teale** was a dominant playmaker and one of the key leaders that carried the Bearcats to the playoffs, but **Chris Greisen** is the real deal. There is no doubt Teale owns Greisen in the speed department, but that's where Teale's advantage over Greisen ends. Greisen has met and exceeded every expectation put on him this year. His zipping, pin-point passes and composure in the pocket make me smile every Saturday. To the credit of Teale, a four-year starter, Greisen has one of the best offensive lines in the nation. He doesn't get tossed around like a ragdoll as Teale did during the '94 and '95 seasons. Also Greisen's big hands allow him to grasp the ball with ease. I believe that played a major factor during the monsoon-type weather in the victory over Pittsburg State and could be an asset during the frigid playoffs.

'96

Defensive line

'97

Comparing the '96 and '97 defensive lines is like night and day, but both have been equally effective. The current performers prove that speed is as superior to strength on the defensive line. Last year's group, led by **Kirk Larson**, **Ambrows Moreland** and all-everything **Matt Udhe** used power to bull-rush opponents. Although smaller in size, this year's group has used its quickness to better contain the run and add pressure to opposing quarterbacks. The '97 crew also has racked up more sacks than the '96 behemoths — 51 to be exact. Guys like **Cole Sidwell**, **Alan Buckwalter**, **Matt Voge**, **Aaron Becker** and reserve **Josh "K-nuts" Knutson** have shut any mouths of preseason doubters. With K-nuts and Buckwalter battling each week as team sack leaders, they have equaled Udhe's dominance of MIAA offensive lineman. One of the best things about the '97 starting crew is they're all sophomores. Yes Bearcat fans, you'll be seeing those names for two more years.

'96

Offensive line

'97

This is one area that gave me no trouble to make a judgment. The '97 line is undoubtedly the better of the two and quite possibly the best in the history of Bearcat football. The '97 crew does not rely on pure brawn to out play the opposition it uses its smarts. Despite **Josh Baker** and **Chad Thompson**, both 6'3" 300-plus pounds, the other three, **Adam Dorrel**, **Steve Coppinger** and **Andy Erpelding** are undersized as far as college linemen go, but they don't allow size to beat them. Led by Dorrel, this line depends on preparation and technique to pound and contain their opponents week in and week out. The group's unity and drive have made it the heart and soul of the '97 team.

'96

Linebackers

'97

The '97 corp has blended size, speed and tackling perfection to ignite the 'Cat wrecking crew defense. In '96 the defense was a bit soft on the run and in '97 the defense is allowing only 119.9 yards per game rushing. That stat is because of the athleticism and execution of **Dante Combs**, **Aaron Crowe** and **Kevin Singletary**. The trio has combined for 294 tackles while also offering some nimble coverage in the secondary. **Ken Gordon**, '96 first team all-MIAA middle linebacker, was a big loss last year, but you couldn't ask for better replacements than Singletary and Crowe. The '97 starters, coupled with break-out reserves **Wes Simmons**, **Jason Smith** and **Wayland Vacek**, have put no doubt in my mind that they are the best linebacking corp in the MIAA.

'96

Running Backs

'97

Current Kansas City Chief and last year's Bearcat offensive most valuable player, **Jesse Haynes**, is one of the best running backs ever to strap on Bearcat green and white. Haynes, who rushed for a school record 1,453 yards last season, was the workhorse of the '96 offense that averaged nearly 50 more yards per game rushing than this year's squad. Current A-back **Derek "Night Train" Lane** is no slouch though. He was on pace to break Haynes' school record of 17 touchdowns in a season, but Lane suffered a separated shoulder three weeks ago. Luckily he will be back in action this week. **Charlie Pugh** and **David "The Ignitor" Jansen** have also contributed this year giving Northwest a three-headed rushing monster.

There has been no slack this year at B-back, because of the return of **Kraig Evans**. He has continued his rocking of defenses with his superb blocking and kept defenses guessing, showing his running proficiency this year.

'96

Secondary

'97

It is not that the '97 group is less talented, and it may be because of the improvement of this year's linebackers, but I have to give the nod to the '96 secondary.

Only one starter was lost from last year's crew, but has been replaced well by **Daniel Keys** and **David Carlson**. With three of the four secondary starters gaining first team all-MIAA honors, including **Brian Sutton**, **Twan Young** and **Bobby Nelson**, the '97 group as definitely been lickin' and pickin' offenses the entire year.

But, so many times during the '96 season the secondary saved some Bearcat butt. The secondary tallied more tackles than both the linebackers and defensive line. And a safety shouldn't be leading the team in tackles (Sutton led with 129).

Graduating from Maryville High School, I was able to play and watch Brian Sutton on the football field. When the guy began playing on the Bearcat football team, some Spoofhound grads snickered at his skills to play college ball. He not only has proven he can play, his gives bone-crushing tackles and covers quite nicely; the guy has made me a believer. Let me just say that I am now a proud member of the Brian Sutton bandwagon.

'96

Wide receivers

'97

This was a tough area to decide, but at this point the '96 receiving corp, of **Mark Servé**, **Jason Melnick** and **Chris Zeller** is tops. They get the nod because their senior experience and sure hands.

This year's seniors, **Wade Hanson**, **Matt Becker** and **Nick Inzerello**, have shown skills, given leadership and shared game-time ins and outs with the young talents of the '97 group. The '97 crew has mass abilities and with **Tony Miles**, **Scott Courter**, **Steve Comer**, **J.R. Hill** and **Ryan George** all with at least two more years left. The future of Bearcat receivers will crank up the highlight films. Sidebar note: with a healthy **Willie Cohen** in the lineup, the current receivers could edge the '96 corp. Cohen showed me earlier this year that he is a premier big-time hands man and hopefully he'll return good as new next year.

'96

Special teams

'97

The crazy punt return abilities of **Jason Melnick** and **Twan Young** and **Mark Servé's** punt/kick blocking skills gave the '96 team a reason to look forward to special teams play. Although it is excellent in different areas, the '97 squad hasn't skipped a beat.

David Purnell's kicking has been money in the bank, and **Charlie Pugh** is able to use his darting quickness to open the field on kickoff returns. **Tony Miles** could prove to be better than Melnick in the long run, as shown in his 84-yard return against Southwest Baptist University. Also **Greg Bonnett** and **Brian Williams** have paralleled **Alan Buckwalter's** performances last year on kickoff coverage, offering bone-crushing hits to returnmen around the league.

1996 Bearcat starters

Offense:
QB - **Greg Teale** - first team all-MIAA; second team all-Midwest region
B-back - **Kraig Evans**
A-back - **Jesse Haynes** - second team all-MIAA, all-Midwest region
TE - **Matt Becker** - second team all-MIAA
WR - **Jason Melnick** - second team all-MIAA
WR - **Mark Servé**
T - **Matt Gilbert**
G - **Cal Brown**
C - **Steve Coppinger**
G - **Adam Dorrel** - second team all-MIAA
T - **Josh Baker**

Defense:
DE - **Kirk Larson**
NG - **Andy Hoggatt**
DT - **Ambrows Moreland** - second team all-MIAA
DE - **Matt Udhe** - first team all-MIAA, all-Midwest region; CoSIDA, AP, AFCA first team all-American
OLB - **Dante Combs**
MLB - **Ken Gordon** - first team all-MIAA
OLB - **Damon Dorris**
C - **Bobby Nelson**
FS - **Brian Sutton** - second team all-MIAA, all Midwest region
SS - **Malcom LeBlanc**
C - **Twan Young** - first team all-MIAA

Special teams:
KR - **Mark Servé**
KR - **Bobby Nelson**
PR - **Jason Melnick** - second team all-MIAA returner
P - **Shane Gladwin**
K - **Jamie Hazen/David Purnell**

1997 Bearcat starters

Offense:
QB - **Chris Greisen** - first team all-MIAA
B-back - **Kraig Evans**
A-back - **Derek Lane/Charlie Pugh** - Lane is the 10th leading scorer in nation
TE - **Matt Becker** - first team all-MIAA
WR - **Willie Cohen/Scott Courter/Tony Miles** - trio has scored 11 touchdowns
WR - **Wade Hanson** - two 100-plus yard receiving games
T - **Andy Erpelding**
G - **Josh Baker** - second team all-MIAA
C - **Steve Coppinger** - first team all-MIAA
G - **Chad Thompson**
T - **Adam Dorrel** - first team all-MIAA

Defense:
DE - **Cole Sidwell**
NG - **Matt Voge**
DT - **Aaron Becker** - first team all-MIAA
DE - **Alan Buckwalter** - second team all-MIAA
OLB - **Dante Combs** - second team all-MIAA
MLB - **Aaron Crowe** - first team all-MIAA
OLB - **Kevin Singletary**
CB - **Bobby Nelson** - first team all-MIAA
FS - **Brian Sutton** - first team all-MIAA
SS - **Daniel Keys**
CB - **Twan Young** - first team all-MIAA

Special teams:
KR - **Charlie Pugh** - second in nation in returns, first team all-MIAA
KR - **Tony Miles/Maleeke Lawson**
PR - **Bobby Nelson/Tony Miles**
K/P - **David Purnell** - nation's leader in kicking accuracy, second team all-MIAA

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Bearcat offensive line

Through thick and thin

Trenchmen receive little praise for dirty work, maintain family unity

By Rob J. Brown
Missourian Staff

As branches of a giant oak must start with a solid trunk, typically a championship caliber team begins with a strong offensive line.

The "Cats have rolled to an 11-0 regular season. Much of that success is because of starting offensive linemen Josh Baker, Steve Coppinger, Adam Dorrel, Andy Erpelding and Chad Thompson, quarterback Chris Greisen said.

Erpelding said through off-season workouts and on and off the field camaraderie, being a Bearcat offensive lineman is nothing but fun.

"We've got a great bunch of guys here," Erpelding said. "We're a close knit group — like a family. That gives us an advantage come game day."

Coppinger said the linemen have a code of family and follow the "I've got your back if you've got mine" motto.

"We're like five brothers out there, and we'll kick a brother's butt if he needs it, but we'll celebrate together too," Coppinger said.

Thompson said an O-lineman's performance is key for a team's success.

"If people want to see the importance of an offensive line just go back and look at film of the 0-11 year," Thompson said. "If the O-line isn't there, the offense is not going to get started — it all starts with us. If you miss a block or something, there goes the play."

With the pressure the group receives from coaches, teammates and fans it is sometimes difficult, Thompson said.

"If something goes wrong all the fingers are pointed at the O-line," Thompson said. "It always falls back

on our shoulders."

Dorrel, who started as a freshman in 1994 during the 0-11 year, said the team and offensive line have made an incredible turnaround since then.

"The difference between my freshman year and now is certainly the togetherness and family attitude," Dorrel said. "When I played back then the guys didn't communicate. They didn't care. They were in it for themselves."

"When I came here it was basically the threshold of hell," Dorrel said. "It's fun to see all of these guys work their butts off and be committed for a cause — winning. It's like planting a tree and seeing it grow. Now, we're really starting to see the rewards."

Coppinger said because fans' eyes are drawn to the ball, the line's performance sometimes are lost in the shuffle.

"I think we're the comedy of the team," Coppinger said. "We're always going to have fun and we're all laid back. We're not catching the football or scoring touchdowns, so we have fun in our own way."

Baker said a lot goes on inside that most don't realize.

"I don't think the regular fan understands how violent it is," Baker said. "It's a physically violent game, there's a lot of grabbing, collisions and a lot of stuff going on in there that people don't see."

Although no individual statistics are accumulated for offensive linemen, Dorrel said he only cares about winning.

"All we worry about is getting the 'W,'" Dorrel said. "I know our work is very appreciated by this team, and they know that we work hard. Getting respect is my statistic."

Baker said receiving praise and racking up individual statistics is not what the game is all about. He said the group has accepted its role



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Offensive linemen Adam Dorrel (no. 75), Chad Thompson (no. 72), Steve Coppinger (no. 51), Josh Baker (no. 79) and Andy Erpelding (no. 58), trot to the line of scrimmage, Saturday versus Emporia State. The Bearcats prevailed over the Hornets, 44-38 on its way to be the 1997 MIAA champions.

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Photography Director

"All we worry about is getting the 'W.' I know our work is appreciated by this team ... getting respect is my statistic."

■ Adam Dorrel,
offensive lineman

and understands they won't get all the press after every game.

"I think that's reality, after you're done playing football — that's what life's all about," Baker said. "A lot of times you don't have somebody coming up and patting you on the back for a job that you've done well."

Greisen said he owes all of his success to the offensive line because without them he couldn't make much happen. Each Friday, he gives each of the starting linemen a candy bar to show his appreciation.

"I do the things that I can afford," Greisen said. "They deserve everything I can give them and more. They're doing a great job for me and all of the team this year."

Greisen not only rewards his linemen with treats but showed his full respect for his blockers when he earned the Don Black Award. When he lined up to receive the award and have his picture taken, he called his offensive linemen to come up and huddle around him.

"He's so appreciative of us," Coppinger said. "He's always patting us on the back to keep us up."

Baker said his teammates are sup-

portive of each other's play keeping positive attitudes.

"When you come back to the huddle after something goes wrong, if you had an O-line that didn't care they'd be bitching at you," he said. "But with us we pat each other on the back and encourage them for the next play."

Dorrel said the stereotype of offensive linemen being big, dumb guys who simply take up space in the middle is extremely contradicted.

"What I think separates a good offensive line from a great one, and I like to think we're a great one, is technique," Dorrel said. "Technique is my big thing. When I go against a guy that is more powerful I try to use better technique to play smart. If you can out-smart your guy a couple times, you'll get him thinking, 'What's this guy going to do next?'"

The group not only practices three hours a day, they also watch hours of game film to prepare for games.

"Preparation determines whether

you win or lose," Baker said. "In practice, during film, we learn what it takes to handle our opponents."

Bart Tatum, offensive line coach, said he's never seen a group with a better attitude or commitment to each other and the program. Tatum applauds their sportsmanship.

Besides their performances, the thing that is notable is that these guys have not had one incident off the field, not an MIP — nothing," Tatum said. "That goes back to family. They all come from great families. You couldn't ask for a better group of guys."

Erpelding said of all of the moments the crew have been through, the Pittsburg State game was most memorable.

"Coach Tatum summed it all up when we were watching film of the Pitt State game," he said. "We were all muddy, and you could see our breath coming out of our helmets. He said that's what being an offensive linemen all about."

In the trenches

Josh Baker - 6'3" 315-lb senior left guard; '97 Snow Bowl participant; '97 second team all-MIAA; '96 honorable mention all-MIAA; two-year starter

Steve Coppinger - 6'3" 267-lb junior center; '97 first team all-MIAA; '96 honorable mention all-MIAA; two-year starter

Adam Dorrel - 5'11" 284-lb senior center; team co-captain; '97 first team all-MIAA; '96 second team all-MIAA; '95 honorable mention all-MIAA; three-year starter

Andy Erpelding - 6'3" 252-lb freshman redshirt; first-year starter

Chad Thompson - 6'3" 300-lb sophomore; first-year starter



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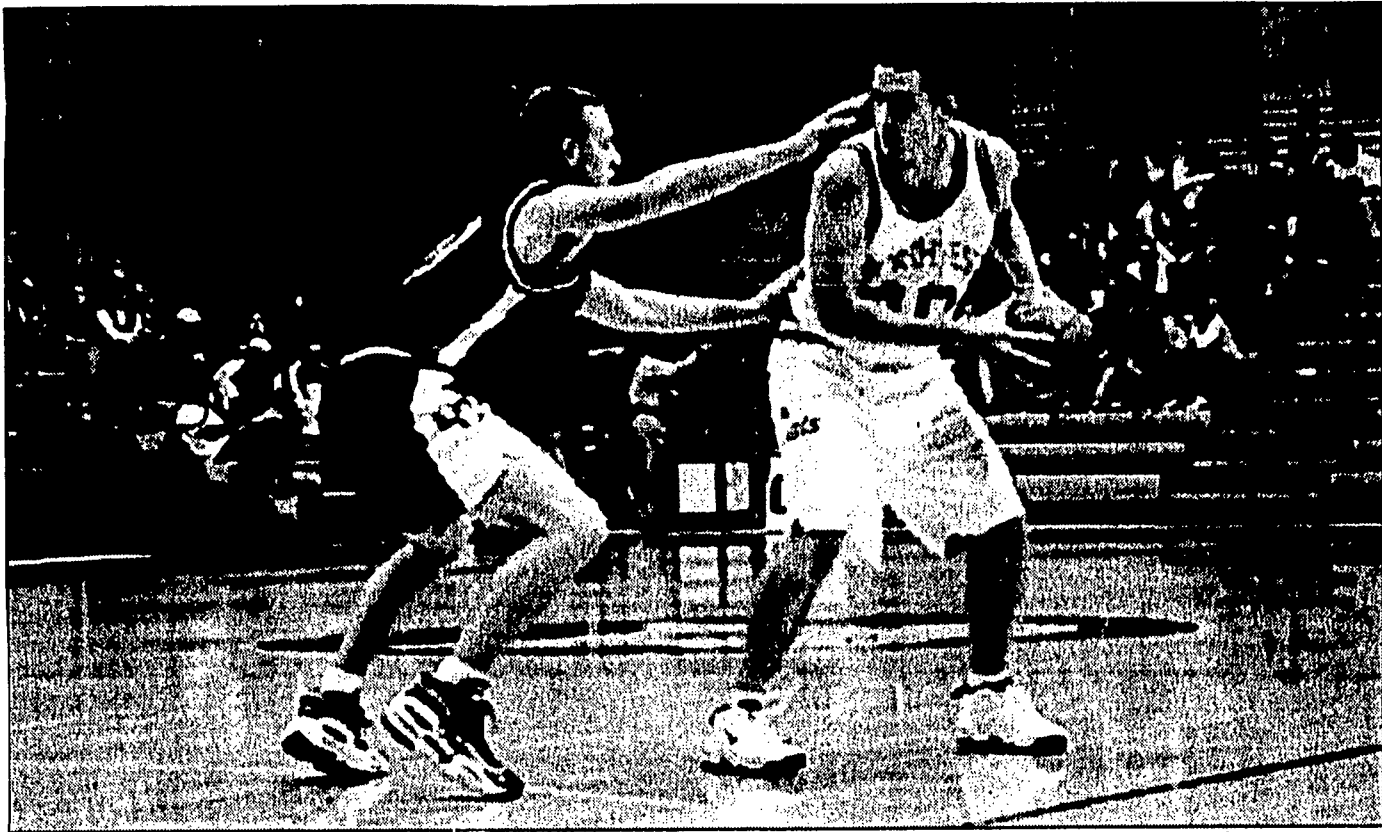
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Junior forward Mike Morley holds off a Faith Baptist Bible College defender as he looks for an open teammate. All 12 players participated in the 83-65 win. The Bearcats play Tugaloo (Miss.) at 8 p.m. Friday in Bearcat Arena.

John Petrovic/
Contributing Photographer

Men's basketball notches 2nd victory

by JP Farris
Chief Reporter

The 'Cats found themselves alone in the cage with the Faith Baptist Bible College Eagles Tuesday and the Benedictine Ravens Friday, but only feathers remained when they finished.

All 12 players scored and played at least 10 minutes in the 83-35 win over the NAIA Division II Eagles. The Bearcats sported a balanced attack with a 46-4 first-half lead. Junior forwards Matt Redd and LeVant Williams both had a game-high 13 points with senior forward Brian Burleson adding 12.

Although the game was a blow-out, the Bearcats still used it as a learning experience.

"(The score of the game) allowed us to play a lot of different combinations and kind of learn more about our team from the standpoint of a

game situation," head coach Steve Tappmeyer said.

Tappmeyer mixed defenses and used the entire offensive playbook.

"We're predominately a (man-to-man defensive) team, but we wanted to slow things down and work on things," he said. "I think defensively we got a little sloppy, but it's hard not to do that in a situation like this."

Although the Bearcats will learn from this game, Tappmeyer thought they may have been better off to not even partake in it.

"In some respects a game like this is not as beneficial as practice," he said. "Because you don't get your top seven (players) that are going to be out there playing the number of (repetitions) you need to."

The Bearcats saw little resistance from Benedictine College in the season opener Friday. The 74-56 victory win was not only the Bearcats' first test, it was the first chance for

senior point guard "Shakey" Harrington to showcase himself.

"I've been anticipating this day since I've been here," Harrington said. "It feels like I'm starting over again, almost like a freshman. I've been sitting out almost a year and a half, and I had a lot of butterflies. But I knew what was expected of me so I was going to have to step up and do my job."

Harrington was redshirted last season. There were two senior guards, and he had one year of eligibility left. After three semesters without a game, Tappmeyer expected him to be a little rusty.

"I really would not have been surprised if he would have struggled tonight," Tappmeyer said. "He hasn't played for a while, and he was so hyped up for the game."

Harrington scored a game-high 24 points with two assists and three steals. Redd also sparked the Bear-

cats with 14 points and 11 rebounds.

Off the pine, Williams supplied the Bearcats with 13 points on five of six shooting including one from beyond the three-point arc and eight rebounds. Knocking down the first two or three shots he took really got Williams in rhythm, Tappmeyer said.

"He's been struggling to pick up the system," he said. "It looked like when he came out tonight and got his first couple jumpers down he got a lot more confidence."

This weekend the 'Cats will play host to the Ryland Milner Classic, featuring Tugaloo (Miss.), Tampa (Fla.) and Drury College. The Bearcats open up against a run and gun Tugaloo team at 8 p.m. Friday in Bearcat Arena.

"We don't want to come out and lose our own tournament again, that was kind of sad last year," Burleson said. "I think we have the right people on this team to do well."

Spikers' season ends with 2 conference losses

by Wendy Broker
University Sports Editor

The volleyball team wrapped up its season over the weekend with losses to conference foes Missouri Southern State College and Pittsburg State University.

The women fought four games against Pitt State Saturday, but came up short, 8-15, 15-7, 8-15, 11-15.

Some bright spots for the 'Cats were Diann Davis, senior middle hitter and Abby Sunderman, freshman middle hitter. Davis recorded 11 kills and 10 blocks, while Sunderman notched 11 kills as well and put up seven blocks.

Jill Quast, freshman outside hitter, pulled up 20 digs as Jenny Waldron, junior outside hitter, added 19. Freshman setter Abby Williams picked up 37 assists in the match.

Head coach Sarah Pelster said the women had the same problems all weekend which cost them both matches.

"All weekend, we made serving and passing errors," Pelster said. "We had eight serving errors and eight receiving errors against Southern and 10 serving errors and 11 receiving errors against Pittsburg. When you make that kind of mistakes, it's hard to have offense and win matches."

The Bearcats took on the Lions of Missouri Southern Friday coming out of the three-game match with the loss, 11-15, 11-15, 14-15 despite the team's effort.

Davis was named to the all-conference second team. Quast and Sunderman received honorable mentions. Pelster said this honor shows the conference is noting Northwest's abilities.

"Having three women represent us in such an elite group means other coaches are noticing us," Pelster said.

Overall, Pelster was pleased with the women's play this season especially with the players' inexperience.

"It's been kind of up and down this season, typical of a young team,"

Pelster said. "With five freshmen seeing a significant amount of playing time, I was very pleased with the season. We just have to work on our consistency. We lost at least four or five matches in five games, and we beat a nationally ranked (No. 25) team in Wayne State (College)."

The weekend matchups were not only the end to a winning season but final games for two seniors.

Davis, a four-year letterwinner for the squad, ended the season after breaking two Northwest records, one for block assists and the other for total blocks. Davis ranks No. 9 in the nation in blocks as well. She also averaged over three kills a match for the team.

Outside hitter Suzi Fabian, also a four-year letterwinner for the squad, played well for the team this season as well. She provided digging and passing experience for the young team.

Pelster said the seniors will be missed, because it will be hard to replace their experience and what they have done for the team in the past four years.

"Diann has been a dominant force in the middle," Pelster said. "She led the team and the conference in blocking this season and broke two Northwest records. There is a definite loss of a great leader there."

"Suzi has been excellent for the team in digging and passing all four years. We will miss her passing and defensive play the most. They will both be very hard to replace."

The future looks bright for the team even without these women, Pelster said.

"This was a learning year for us, a rebuilding year, but three freshmen were helping lead the team," Pelster said. "We knew we would take a few knocks, but we'd learn from them. We have made big strides for a young team, and I only see this team getting better. We will work on consistency in the offseason and by next fall we will be much more stable."

Runners travel to National meet

by Wendy Broker
University Sports Editor

ous times we've been in Kenosha," head coach Bud Williams said. "We hope to improve a third time. We are hoping something going into this one final time to go out and

It will take more than just mental and physical preparation for the men to do well at the meet, head coach Rich Alsop said.

"We will go up there and do as well as we can," Alsop said. "We will have to have a pack time of 1:30 at least to finish in the top 10. It is a great accomplishment for us to be there, but we want to go there and do something. We have the capabilities".

Alsop said the best Northwest has ever finished at Nationals is 12th, and the men want to beat that. The team is ranked No. 14 going into the meet.

"It will be nice for the season finale if we can put all the pieces together," he said.

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"He had two runs that were pretty good runs, but other than that, we did a good job of handling him," Tjeerdsma said. "That was one thing going into the game we felt we had to do (was stop Shay) and keep him from making big plays. We kept him out of the end zone, and I didn't know that we would do that."

With Northwest leading 41-31 late in the fourth quarter, junior safety Brian Sutton intercepted a Hornets' pass that proved to be the difference in the game.

"The key to that was that we got a lot of pressure on the quarterback," Tjeerdsma said. "It was fourth and ones, and they decided to throw it rather than run it with Shay."



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'Cats win Jewell tournament

■ Women's basketball crowned champs following overtime victory over host William Jewell Saturday

By Kevin Schultz
Chief Reporter

A thrilling overtime victory, a new record and a tournament championship describe the women's basketball team's weekend at the William Jewell Tournament.

The 'Cats defeated Ottawa, Kan. in their first contest by a blowout of 78-44. The team's defense contributed greatly to the 34-point spread.

"Considering it was the first game of the year, we played fairly well," head coach Wayne Winstead said. "We still have some things to work on, but it wasn't bad for a start to the season."

The Bearcats proved their worth against William Jewell by meeting expectations with a win. It was against a more formidable opponent, Winstead said.

"William Jewell was a very tough game," Winstead said. "I give them a lot of credit, but we did not play with enough consistency, but we did prove something."

Inconsistent play throughout much of the game left the 'Cats trailing by 10 with only 2:44 remaining in the game.

But the 'Cats sprung back to tie the game and send the contest to overtime.

"We were down by 10 (points) late," Winstead said. "But the ladies never gave up or panicked. They ran the offense and kept playing hard. They have a lot of heart."

It was that heart that carried them to an 86-84 overtime victory and the tournament championship.

The championship is attributed to great post play from senior forwards Annie Coy and Denise Sump.

With Pam Cummings, senior point guard, feeding them the ball, the two inside forces combined for 45 points and 26 boards.

"Coy and Sump played big in both contests as well as junior-transfer forward Allison Edwards," Winstead said. "Edwards seemed to pick up her game and had a consistent tournament, scoring 15 in the first game and 16 in the second."



Jennie Nelson/Staff Photographer

Senior guard Pam Cummings tries to keep the ball away from a Nebraska All-Star in last week's exhibition game. The 'Cats play Rockhurst Friday night in Bearcat Arena.

With two regular season victories notched away, the 'Cats turn their focus to the Ryland Milner Classic.

"We don't know much about William Penn, they have so many new players," Winstead said. "But we know Rockhurst is for real and they will be very tough. That should be a great test."

The Ryland Milner Classic will be this weekend with the 'Cats playing Rockhurst at 6 p.m. Friday in Bearcat Arena.

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Spoofhounds prepare for *hot* winter season

Maryville High School teams attempt to continue last year's success

Tip-off inches near for boys' hoopsters

by Mark Hornickel
Chief Reporter

Coming off a season with 20 wins, the boys' basketball season will hit the hardwood this Tuesday with high expectations.

"I think the fact that we have an experienced ballclub coming back is one of the reasons why the expectations are high," head coach Mike Kuwitzky said. "We have basically the whole team back from last season and that's some encouragement that they can have a good season this year."

Junior Ryan Morley will return after putting in a solid season last year, Kuwitzky said. He led the 'Hounds with 11.6 points per game and 6.6 rebounds per game.

Seniors John Otte and Grant Sutton will also return to the team this season. Otte led the team with three assists per game while Sutton averaged 10.9 points and 3.7 rebounds per contest.

Kuwitzky said senior Tylor Hardy may also see a lot of playing time this year. As the 'Hounds' sixth man last season, he averaged 10 points per game.

A list of players including seniors John Edmonds, Jaimie Loch, Keith Wurm, Adam Weldon, Craig Archer, and juniors Nick Glasnapp, Mike Nanninga, Adam Otte and Ben Scott will also help the team with returning experience.

"I think (one of) the characteristics of this team is that it works hard," Kuwitzky said. "They show a lot of unselfishness. They play as a team. They're really good people, good stu-

dents and I enjoy working with them."

In addition to a deep group of returning players, Kuwitzky said a Northeast Nodaway transfer student, junior Adam Johnson, will be a strong attribute to the team.

"We're really excited about his presence with us, and he'll figure into the mix quite well," Kuwitzky said.

Kuwitzky said younger players will be a good addition to the team.

"We've got some really good young ones coming up too," Kuwitzky said. "We've got a really good group of underclassmen."

Last season, the 'Hounds finished with a record of 20-8 and they placed second in the Midland Empire Conference, behind Chillicothe. In addition, the team claimed victories at the Nodaway County Tournament and the Savannah Tournament.

"Last year was a really, really good season for us," Kuwitzky said. "We'd like to build off of that. I was really proud we got that far in the district, and we were able to challenge (Chillicothe)."

Kuwitzky said the team also benefited from wins over some of the tougher teams in the district such as Benton and Red Oak, Iowa.

"We just had some really big wins against some real quality teams last year," Kuwitzky said. "Winning 20 games in high school is really hard. Many people don't realize how hard it is to be a 20-game winner, but this group did it last year and I was very, very proud of them."

The season will tip off at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday at Trenton.



Jennifer Meyer/Photography Director

Several members of the wrestling team polished their techniques at practice Wednesday. The squad will begin its season Dec. 4 against Maysville.

Wrestlers expect pins

by Mark Hornickel
Chief Reporter

Nine state qualifiers will return to the Maryville wrestling team as it attempts to duplicate last season's success.

"I'd have to say our expectations are pretty high for the most part," head coach Joe Drake said.

The 'Hounds will field an experienced team which includes several wrestlers in the middle-weight classes with State tournament experience.

"That is definitely going to help us," Drake said. "Our concerns are our top three weight classes — if we're going to be able to fill them at all. If we do fill them, it's probably going to be with first-year wrestlers."

Drake said the team's main goals are to improve upon last year's dual meet record of 7-1-1, repeat as Midland Empire Conference champions and make a good showing at the State tournament.

Several State qualifiers will form the team's nucleus for this season, Drake said. Senior Mark Anderson, who finished sixth in the State tournament last year, will lead a list of returning State qualifiers that includes seniors Jeremy Tobin, Jeremy Lliteras, Ryan Castillo and sophomore Jeremy Bradshaw.

The 'Hounds' conference will include three new teams, Cameron, Platte County and Smithville, who have joined the MEC.

"All three have excellent wrestling programs," Drake said. "So that will change our dual schedule a little bit because of the fact that we have three new schools that weren't there last year."

The 'Hounds' season will begin at 7 p.m. Dec. 4 at home against the Maysville High School Warriors.

Wrestling schedule

Dec. 4 - Maysville
Dec. 11 - Cameron, South Harrison
Dec. 13 - Lexington Tournament
Dec. 20 - Trenton Tournament
Jan. 6 - Benton
Jan. 10 - Shawnee Mission Tournament
Jan. 13 - Chillicothe
Jan. 15 - Rock Port
Jan. 20 - Smithville
Jan. 22 - Platte County
Jan. 24 - Nebraska City Tournament
Jan. 27 - St. Plus X
Jan. 29 - Lafayette
Jan. 31 - Maryville Tournament
Feb. 3 - Savannah
Feb. 7 - District
Feb. 14 - Sectional
Feb. 19-21 - State

Bold matches denote home games played at the Maryville High School gymnasium.



Tim Key/Chief Photographer

Junior Ben Scott takes the inbound pass as sophomore Kyle Lager attempts to get the steal. The 'Hounds will start the season Tuesday.

Boys' schedule

Nov. 25 - Trenton
Dec. 2 - Shenandoah, Iowa
Dec. 5 - Savannah
Dec. 9 - Clarinda, Iowa
Dec. 10 - LeBlond
Dec. 15-20 - Nodaway County Tournament
Dec. 26-30 - William Jewell Tournament
Jan. 6 - Benton
Jan. 9 - Cameron
Jan. 12-17 - Savannah Tournament
Jan. 20 - Maysville

Jan. 23 - Chillicothe
Jan. 30 - Falls City, Neb.
Feb. 3 - Savannah
Feb. 5 - Benton
Feb. 9 - Chillicothe
Feb. 13 - Smithville
Feb. 16 - Platte County
Feb. 19 - Lafayette
Feb. 23-28 District
March 13-14 - State

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Girls' basketball players ready to take the hardwood by storm

by Burton Taylor
Missourian Staff

It has been almost 10 years since the Maryville girls' basketball team won the Midland Empire Conference Tournament — it has a flag posted in the gymnasium to prove it. But this year head coach Jeff Martin wants to add to the display.

The team is in its final weeks of conditioning and working on both its offensive and defensive skills.

In practice, players run through a lot of different drills. They scrimmage, work on passing, dribbling and screening techniques.

In his third year of coaching the Spoofhounds, Martin believes the team is better than it has been in past seasons.

"We still have a little ways to go," Martin said. "But we have a lot of talented individuals, and I think that we could be pretty good."

Returning junior Megan McLaughlin said the team has improved and could make something happen this year.

With 44 players, Martin emphasizes the importance of teamwork and communication during games and practices.

"Coach Martin can be pretty hard on us, but it does us a lot of good," junior Shea O'Riley said.

Martin likes to use man-to-man defensive tactics and thinks it will work well for the team.

"Man-to-man defense is something that I have always believed in," Martin said. "It is something that I grew up with. It puts more responsibility on the shoulders of the players, and it is harder work, but it's worth it."

Martin said the team is working really hard, but the players' attitudes remain positive. He believes it is one of the biggest things they have going for them.

"They are always enthusiastic," Martin said. "That is going to carry the team a long way this year."

The Spoofhounds' first game will be at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday in Trenton when the team battles the Trenton Bulldogs.

Girls' schedule

Nov. 25 - Trenton
Dec. 2 - Savannah
Dec. 5 - Benton
Dec. 9 - Lafayette
Dec. 13 - Clarinda, Iowa
Dec. 15-20 - Nodaway County Tournament
Dec. 26-30 - LeBlond Tournament
Jan. 6 - Savannah
Jan. 8 - Cameron
Jan. 12-17 - Savannah Tournament
Jan. 20 - South Harrison
Jan. 23 - Chillicothe
Jan. 27 - LeBlond
Feb. 2 - Savannah
Feb. 6 - Benton
Feb. 10 - Chillicothe
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Head coach Chad Holmes talks to his team by the side of the swimming pool at the Aquatic Center during practice for the Polar Bears swim team.

Holmes said he tries to give the children as much individual attention and encouragement as he can.

Splish, Splash... Polar Bears swim club allows children to dive into competition

Mark Hornickel
Chief Reporter

Most children are full of energy and turning that energy into accomplishments is not an easy task.

The Northwest United States Swimming Team has a roster of 24 members. The team, also known as the Polar Bears, targets ages 6-18, but the oldest member is 12.

The Polar Bears practice from 4-5 p.m. each Monday, Wednesday and Thursday night at the Aquatic Center at Northwest. Head coach Chad Holmes is a sophomore at Northwest and is surprised by the energy the children have.

"Usually, you'd expect little kids not even to be swimming a mile or half of a mile, but these kids are swimming about four to five miles in a practice," Holmes said. "They really love it, too."

The swimmers start practice by swimming 1,000 yards freestyle just to warm up. Then, they swim about one to two miles of sprints.

Holmes makes sure to keep their attention throughout the practice.

"I make sure, since it's such a small team, that I give individual attention to each swimmer, because that's what they need," Holmes said. They need to learn how to become competitors, and I'm here to teach them that."

Holmes said he has seen a lot of improvements, and he has been very impressed with many individual performances.

"Traci Harr dropped her time by about five or six seconds on her butterfly, and I didn't expect her to do that at all," Holmes said. "Jessica

Baker had never swam in a meet before and she did awesome — better than I ever expected. Megan Weiss dropped like 20 seconds off of her 200-meter freestyle time. You just don't see that. I would never expect those things to happen."

The Polar Bears have been practicing since Sept. 1, and they have already competed at three meets this season.

For the first meet of the season, the team competed at Kansas State University in Manhattan, Kan. Tom Jaeger, former Olympic swimmer, was in attendance, and he worked with the swimmers.

"It was really neat for the kids to work with an actual Olympian," Holmes said. "He talked to them, and they were able to learn about his experiences."

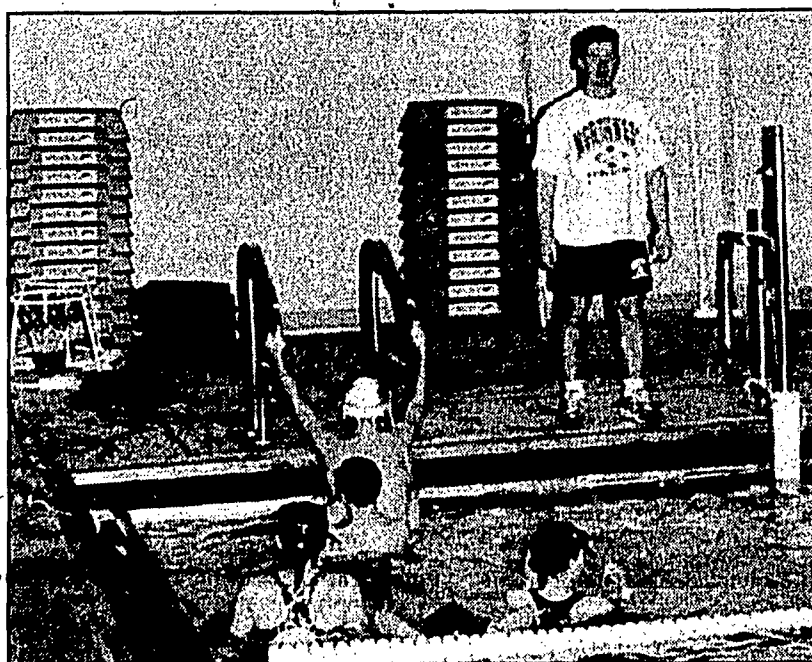
The Polar Bears normally compete in five or six meets a semester, which requires a lot of preparation.

"I tell them to listen to music when they are swimming and just prepare for the meet the night before," Holmes said. "They are just kids right now. Sometimes they don't really know what the competition thing is yet. So, I have to understand that part of it."

The swimmers enjoy the chance to compete.

"I like going to the meets because there are lots of people there," said Michelle Fink, 11. "It's fun to compete against other people, and you have to practice hard or else you can't compete."

Swimmers have the opportunity to qualify for two levels of competition. Last season, everyone qualified for Division II competition.



Tim Kay/Chief Photographer

Head coach Chad Holmes keeps a watchful eye on the members of his swim team during practice last week.

"They passed way over my expectations," Holmes said. "Now, their goal is to qualify for Division I. They are on a path I would have never expected."

The team also benefits from assistant coaches Andrea Giesken and Polly Carter, and help from the parents.

"I'm an elementary education major and I love being around kids," Giesken said. "I enjoy how the kids look up to you. How they look to you as a role model and you are their mentor. I like to see the kids succeed."

Parents participate at many of the

practices and meets, and they believe it is a good program.

"I think it's a great program," parent Christina Heintz said. "I think it's good that they are able to exercise this way and work as a team. It keeps them occupied and it gives them something to think about when they are swimming back and forth."

Many of the swimmers have been swimming competitively since they were young, but some are new at it.

"It's really exciting to see these little kids competing and starting as early as they do," Giesken said. "It's neat to see them accomplish things at such a young age."

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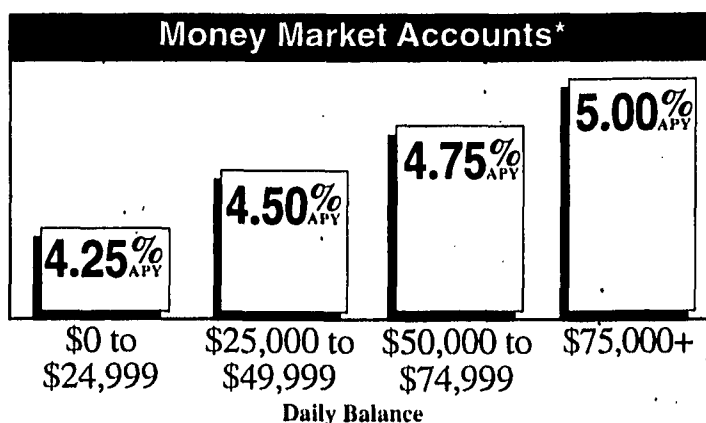
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Keeping a marriage 'all sunshine and roses' for 60 years isn't easy, but two Maryville couples have lasted through the good and bad times

To Have & To Hold

by Stacy Young

In an age when divorce is a common occurrence, there are couples in Maryville who, after 60 years of marriage, have kept their promise to love, honor and cherish each other forever.

Les and Corky Reaksecker have endured the trials of marriage and will celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary next June. The couple met in an educational psychology class at Northwest, which was Northwest Missouri State Teacher's College at the time.

"I think we've been using what we learned in that class on each other through the years," Corky said, chuckling.

The Reakseckers have two children, five grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

"It was good to see all of our children grow up to be so successful," Les said.

Until their children were ready to leave for college, Corky worked at home. She later received her real estate license and entered the work-force.

"She was the second woman in No d a w y County to receive her license," Les said with a proud smile.

It's the little things that make their marriage special. At one time, Les worked for an insurance agency and Corky

worked for a dress shop that were across the street from each other. They made it a ritual every afternoon to meet for lunch.

Besides raising a family together, the Reakseckers share many common interests. They both like antiques, and they love to travel. They have been to every state except Alaska and across every province of Canada. They have also been on trips to Europe and Mexico.

The couple has been through some rough times, but they have learned to work with each other.

"It hasn't all been sunshine and roses," Corky said. "We do have our differences. When we need to be alone, he goes to his workshop, and I go to my backyard. He always tells me that I have everything that Earl May has sold back there."

"She does," Les added matter-of-factly.

The Reakseckers are community-oriented people. They take on many projects together and complete them with pride.

"When we retired, Corky said we were going to need something to keep us busy," Les said.

Corky added, "So we helped to restore flower beds and old statues around the town. We never expected anything out of it but we were invited to a Chamber of Commerce dinner and awarded a good citizenship plaque."

Another project they do together every Friday is taking church bulletins to rest homes for people who cannot get out to attend services.

"We really enjoy doing this," Corky said. "Every Wednesday and Sunday our church service is broadcasted on the radio. This gives those people a chance to at least follow along with it."

The Reakseckers' advice for young couples starting out is not to expect the other person to be perfect. They have to deal with the problems that arise.

"Sometimes when young people get married, they expect to pick up where they left off in their home life," Corky said. "They have to try and work things out, realizing that everyone has problems. You need to trust each other, and don't be afraid to give each other some space."

Another couple in Maryville with a long-standing marriage is Dean and Lois Ward. They will be celebrating their 60th anniversary in May, but they have known each other much longer.

Dean finished high school in Skidmore where he met Lois. They were students of the graduating class of 1931.

Dean and Lois dated for seven years during the Depression before they were married.

"We had to wait until we could find a job to live on," Dean said.



Jen Nervig/Staff Photographer

Dean and Lois Ward hold hands as they reminisce about their 60 years together. The couple dated during the Depression and married seven years

after they met. They graduated from high school together in 1931 in Skidmore and both attended Northwest. Today they reside in Maryville.

After graduating from high school, Dean went to the University of Kansas and studied engineering. Within two years, he received a job at the Kansas City Power and Light Company.

"I thought, here I am a lucky guy," Dean said. "I graduated from college, and I'm working for a great company, making good money so early in our marriage."

The couple has many memories together and are constantly making new ones. Some of their favorite memories were of their first years together.

"Lois came to Kansas City one Friday night at about quitting time, and with my first paycheck we were going to have a nice party," Dean said. "We were walking down the street, and I took her window shopping. We stopped and I showed her the KCPL building. I'll never forget that night. I felt like it was a great achievement. I hope Lois remembers that night too."

Lois sat in her chair and nodded her head as if she was playing that night back through her mind.

The Wards have learned from experience that a lot of work is involved in keeping a marriage going strong.

"Part of what has kept us together is being very serious about our vows," Lois said. "We were brought up that way. It's our moral fiber. You have to remember that a promise is a promise. It was our job to make this work."

The Wards believe marriage is a sacred union. Their attitude toward making it is teamwork.

"Some people just don't see it as a unified project," Dean said. "It's a cooperative thing in a sense, and you can't make it work without a unified effort. It's like people don't consider marriage as a permanent thing."

"Where else can you find a housemate cheaper than this pretty little girl?" Dean finished while looking affectionately at his wife.

Each marriage has a different secret for its success. For the Wards, their religion is a strong bonding factor.

"I think faith and faithfulness are very important in each other and in our religion," Lois said. "Forgiveness is also important. Everyone has to ask for forgiveness, and we have both been good at that."

In their relationship, they do have their share of arguments, but throughout the years, divorce has never been an option.

"We couldn't afford a divorce," Lois said with a giggle and a warm smile toward her husband.

"Yeah, they are kind of expensive," Dean returned with a laugh. "We just kept trying to solve our problems and kept making a living."

The Wards' sense of humor, along with their hard work has contributed to the success of their 60 years together.

"Marriage is just like anything else, you have to work on it, but it is rewarding. Isn't it honey?" Lois asked.

"Oh yes it is," Dean agreed.



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ABOVE: Les and Corky Reaksecker RIGHT: The Reakseckers, who met in a psychology class at Northwest, will celebrate their 60th anniversary in June.

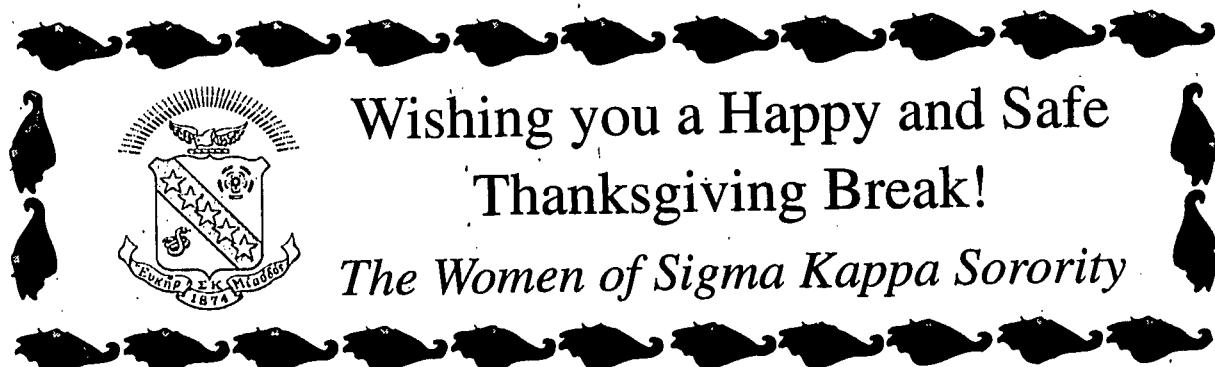


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Tips to remember for a successful marriage

1. Try to maintain an upbeat attitude throughout the marriage.
2. Work through your differences in a calm manner and avoid raising your voices.
3. Give each other space when needed. Married people still need personal time.
4. Try not to be selfish. Do things for each other.
5. Work through a problem until it is solved so it will not continue to arise.
6. Be patient and don't make material things top priority. It could take awhile to become stable.
7. Trust and support one another at all times.
8. Keep the romance alive by spending quality time together.
9. Begin your own traditions that can be unique to your family.

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Once again, the annual Art Auction is taking place at Northwest, and the Ackmans are very excited

about purchasing more student art. They encourage everyone, especially Northwest administrators, staff, and faculty, to help support the artists of this school! Dave's personal feelings about last year are that the items sold were at too LOW of a price. Great artwork is not cheap, and the buyers must realize this. They look forward to seeing even better pieces this year!

Dave's quote of the week:

"The definition of good luck, is hard work and passion."

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Your Man
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It's that time of year again. The season is changing, the leaves are falling and so are the student's attitudes. Warm weather and the beginning of a new semester brings positive attitudes and a strong sense of motivation. With every rebirth comes an agony of death. They were once positive people who turned into petty complainers and excessive procrastinators. People need to take control of the situations instead of letting the situation take control of them.

One of the biggest complaints I've been hearing is that the Spoofhounds aren't going to State, despite their almost impeccable record. They had a great year, and I commend them. But there isn't any use complaining about it.

Why not turn this negative into something positive? — like changing the playoff system so this doesn't happen again. Sitting around and complaining about it is counter-productive. Unite with other schools in the division and change the system instead of complaining and complaining.

Day in and day out, Northwest students grumble about the trial and tribulations of being a college student. They complain about group projects, speeches, presentations, tests and papers like no one else has the same hardships. Guess what folks, we're all in the same boat.

I also heard someone sniveling about one of their teachers who never cancels class. Isn't it funny that a college education is the only thing that we pay for and don't care if we get it or not. Imagine paying for a \$25,000 car and only telling people you have it.

Even though there are people who don't know where their next meal is coming from, college students continue to complain about our seemingly grim existence. Here's my suggestion if you are fed up with the 'Ville and need an escape. Take a road trip to another university and maybe you will begin to appreciate life at Northwest.

Here are some of my observations about the differences in our school and about 10 other schools I have visited.

• Guy to girl ratio at Northwest is about equal. Some schools are horribly lopsided, but at Northwest everyone has an equal

chance — to get a date that is. Need a reference guys? Visit the University of Missouri-Rolla or Iowa State University.

• People complain about paying \$25 for a lab book they can charge to their parents. I knew a student who had to take out a separate \$800 loan for books.

• People still have strong convictions about drugs, even the ones who often do them at Northwest, people keep it out of the public, respecting those who don't do it. I've been to many other schools where I've seen people doing drugs at the bars or at fraternity houses.

• Northwest computer ratio — one computer to every 2.5 students. Other schools have one computer to every 50 students. Try Thompson-Ringold next time you can't find a computer.

• Parking — I parked farther from my high school than I do now. Try getting a spot closer than a mile at schools like University of Missouri or University Nebraska-Lincoln.

• Crime — when was the last time you heard of a murder that is school related? Probably never. There was a stabbing death at Iowa State University last year during what is supposed to be a party (VEISHA).

• Maryville has some crazy people, but there are not many homeless people. I've been to some schools where the homeless are abundant, and college students actually enjoy buying them alcohol because they think it's funny.

• The law enforcement is not that bad. If you've ever been busted in Nebraska, you'd know what I mean. If they even see that you look like you might fight, you'll be in jail.

• Finally, believe it not, we have a great social scene and a friendly atmosphere. I've never had a visitor say they had a bad time in Maryville. It goes to show you that size doesn't matter.

Yes, I do see irony about Your Man complaining about other people complaining. If you think your problems are serious enough, call the counseling center at 562-1220. And if they aren't serious, don't call me.

The Stroller has been a tradition at Northwest since 1918 and does not reflect the views of the *Missourian*.

Weekly Crossword

ACROSS

1. Italian tower town
5. Uses the microwave
10. Hanker
14. Military branch
15. Nobel economist
16. Fol's kin
17. Spat
18. Fall preceptor?
19. Scripture passage
20. Minaret

22. Takes away
24. Like many dormitories
25. Select
26. On the house
29. Expert filers
31. Rancid
34. Leslie Caron role
35. Granada man
37. Infantry
38. Miscellany
39. Explosive trio
40. Toyland visitor
41. Frijol
42. Reason

44. CBER's word
45. Sullivan and Flanders
46. Run of good luck, to Nathan Detroit
47. Rising stars
49. Vetoing vote
50. Asian cuisine
51. Dusseldorf's neighbor
55. Stinging insects
59. Gray matter (abbr.)
60. Bordon symbol
62. Author Waugh
63. Reviewer Siskel

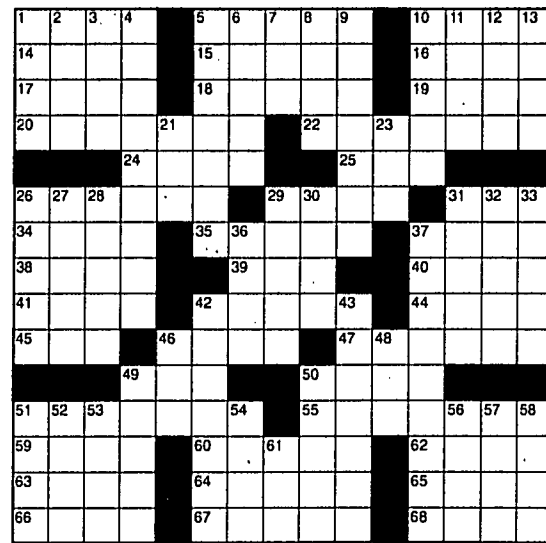
64. Alberto Tomba, e.g.
65. One of the Sinatra girls
66. Baseball stats
67. Medieval slaves
68. Levant

DOWN

1. Positions
2. "___ True What They Say About Dixie?" (2 words)
3. Unthreatened
4. Hugs and kisses, e.g.
5. Unlucky
6. Made a mistake
7. Paul Newman in *Exodus*
8. Mrs. Lincoln's maiden name
9. More complaisant
10. Relax
11. Oil cartel acronym
12. Bank teller's call
13. Obtains
21. Hawaiian food
23. The (Ger.)

Answers to last issue's puzzle

OOPS	BIRD	ROBIN
RULE	BRIE	ADELA
BROADCAST	YOLKS	
SPRY	KEG	RASH
CLOP	RAIL	
INHALED	BREADS	
WRY	NEARS	ESTEE
EELS	ORATE	SAGA
SNOD	SWELL	LAM
TENURE	SEMITES	
TSAR	POLE	
BACH	TED	ALLI
ACHES	WASHCLOTH	
SMART	ELEE	EGOS
HENNA	DICE	RENT



26. It may make the world go 'round
27. Irritated
28. Anonym
29. Abolish
30. Portable beds
31. Audacious
32. Brittle fossil resin
33. Cloth workers
36. Catchall (abbr.)
37. Loathe
42. Modesty
43. Parroters
46. Old cloth item
49. Memos
50. Dick Turpin, e.g.
51. Parakeet's pad
52. Remarkable thing
53. Cinema's Turner
54. Actress Sommer
56. Lamb's pen name
57. Perfect ones
58. Sing like the Velvet Fog
61. Francis Drake's title

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Omaha

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Dec. 4-7 — "Nutcracker," Orpheum Theatre Omaha. (402) 444-4750
Dec. 17 — Lorie Line, Omaha Civic Auditorium Music Hall. (402) 444-4700.

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Dec. 5 — Snowflake Celebrations, Des Moines Civic Center. (515) 243-1109

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